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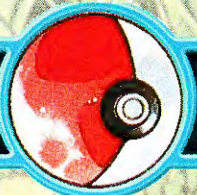
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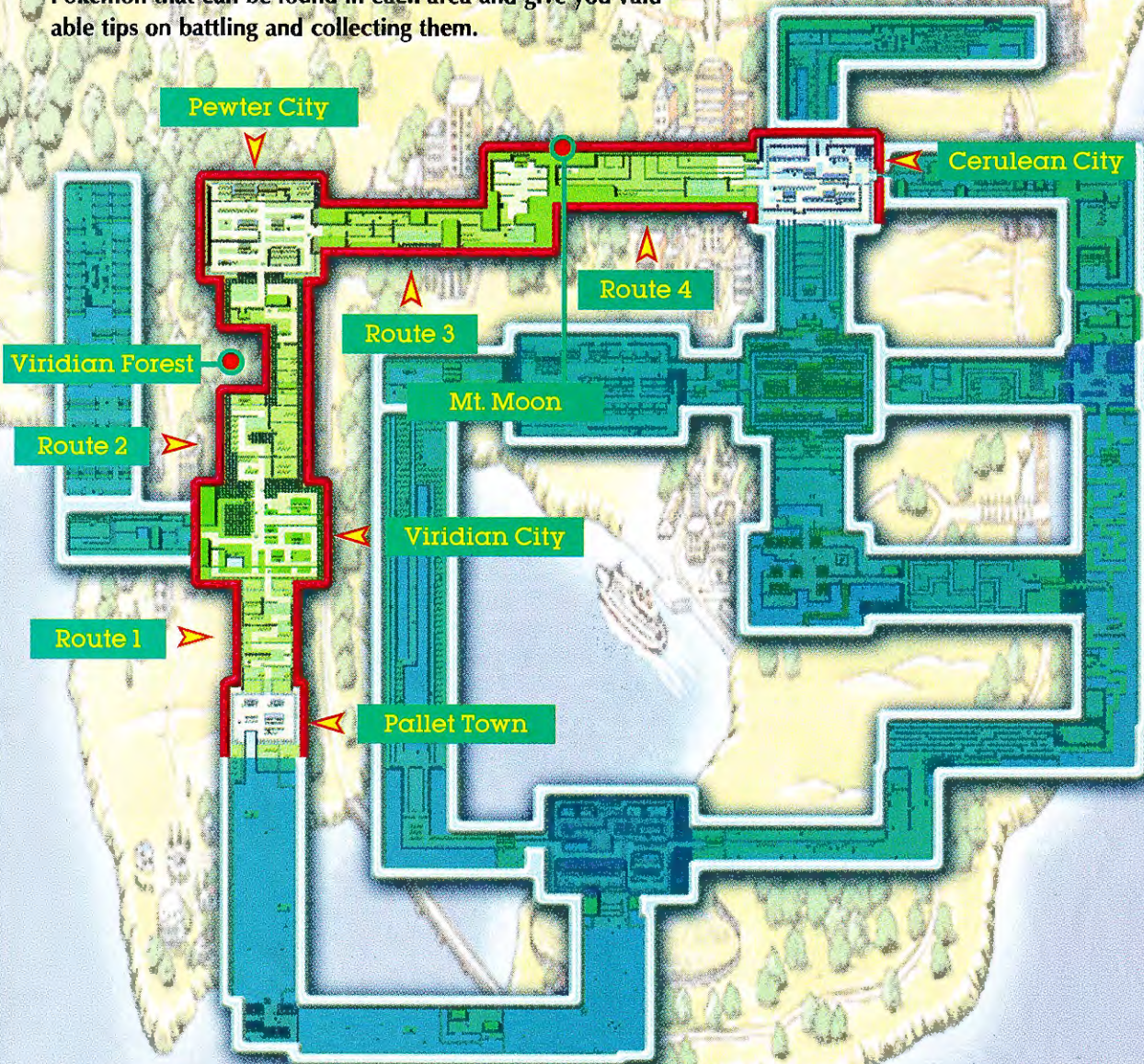




The World of Pokémon

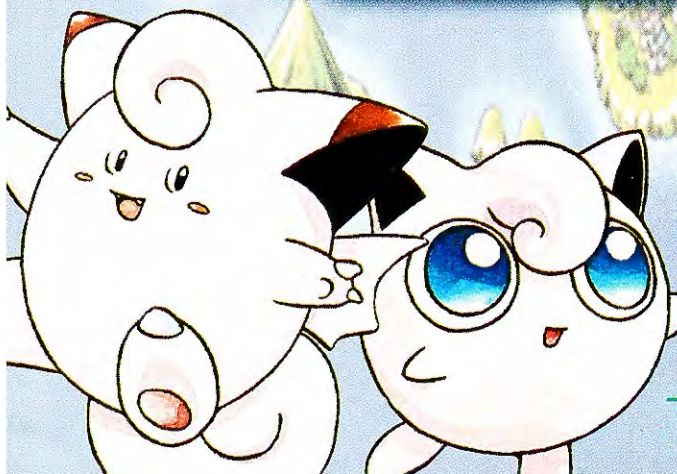
In this first issue of Pokémon Power, we'll explore the first eight areas of the game, which are highlighted on the map below. We'll examine each area in turn and point out vital clues and areas of interest. We'll also profile the various Pokémon that can be found in each area and give you valuable tips on battling and collecting them.

**Your amazing
Pokémon adventure
is about to begin!**



Pokémon Found In This Area

#10 CATERPIE	#25 PIKACHU
#11 METAPOD	#27 SANDSHREW
#13 WEEDLE	#35 CLEFAIRY
#14 KAKUNA	#39 JIGGLYPUFF
#16 PIDGEY	#41 ZUBAT
#19 RATTATA	#46 PARAS
#21 SPEAROW	#74 GEODUDE
#23 EKANS	



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Pokémon Pop. Rising!

PALLET TOWN - Citizens are being warned to be cautious when traveling outside the city. The wild Pokémon population is rising, and experts are at a loss to explain why. "It's not unusual to see their numbers rise and fall over time," said Professor Oak, the world's foremost authority on Pokémon, "but this sudden boom is quite unusual." Professor Oak said that the Pokémon are also becoming more aggressive, and he urges travelers to stay away from grassy

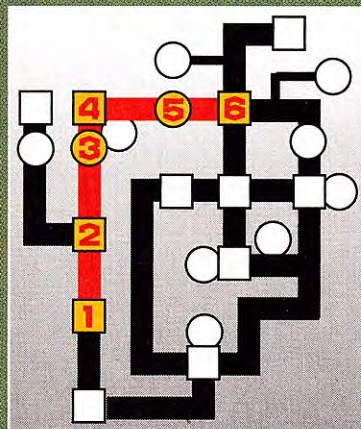
areas where wild Pokémon live. One person who will not be following the good doctor's advice is Gary, Professor Oak's own grandson. "This is a good chance to add to my collection," he said. "I want to show the world I can collect all 150 Pokémon." The young man's ultimate goal is to be the greatest Pokémon trainer of all time. "I'm going to beat everyone," he insisted, "including my wimpy neighbor, Ash." Only time will tell which of these rivals will come out on top.

Professor Oak

Professor Oak has noted a dramatic increase in the Pokémon population in the area between Pallet Town and Cerulean City.



This Month's Map



1 Pallet Town

2 Viridian City

3 Viridian Forest

4 Pewter City

5 Mt. Moon

6 Cerulean City

Fossil Exhibit Opens

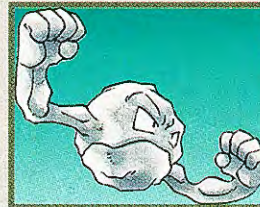
PEWTER CITY - A new exhibit showcasing rare Pokémon fossils discovered in the caves beneath Mt. Moon has just opened at the Pewter City Museum. According to Professor Phineas Fogg, curator of the museum, "We're just beginning to unravel the mysteries of Pokémon biology and evolution, and these

specimens are quite a terrific find." The museum also has a fascinating exhibit on space exploration. Admission to both displays is ¥50.



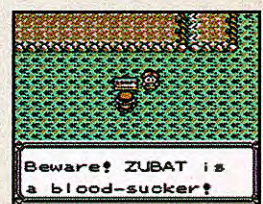
Some scientists say they have cloned new Pokémon from fossils, but most experts think this claim is hogwash.

Like the swallows returning to Capistrano, the Geodudes are making their yearly migration to Mt. Moon. If you'd like to capture one, remember that they are especially vulnerable to water- and grass-based attacks.



Geodudes are tough and would make a good addition to anyone's collection.

Geodudes



Beware! ZUBAT is a blood-sucker!

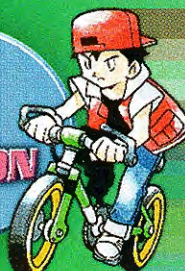
SWEET!
Rare Candy

NEAT!

Look for it at your local supermarket!



only
¥1
MILLION



BIKE BLOWOUT!

COOL!

Looking for a great ride at a great price? Come to the Bike Shop in downtown Cerulean City and save BIG on the hottest new bikes! If you don't see us today, we can't save you any money! (Cash only, VIN numbers posted at dealership.)

Pallet Town

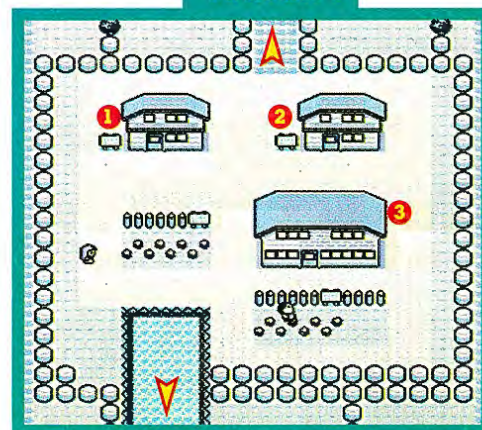
The sleepy village of Pallet Town is where your Pokémon adventure will begin. Your goal is to be recognized as the greatest Pokémon trainer in the world. At the same time, Professor Oak's grandson, Gary, will do everything he can to thwart you and claim that honor for himself!

Getting Started

When your adventure begins, you'll be asked to choose names for yourself and your rival, Professor Oak's grandson. You may choose default names from the computer's list or make up two of your own. For this feature, we'll refer to your rival as "Gary," one of his default names. Now explore Pallet Town, being sure to visit Gary's house for a peek at the map on the wall. After you've talked to everyone, head north toward Route 1. Before you get very far, Professor Oak will appear and escort you to his lab. Once there, he'll let you choose one of his Pokémon for your very own!



To Route 1



To Route 21

- 1 YOUR HOME
- 2 RIVAL'S HOME
- 3 PROFESSOR OAK'S LAB

Your First Pokémon



GRASS POKÉMON
#01 Bulbasaur

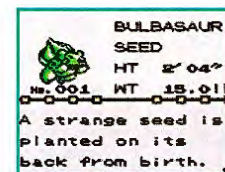
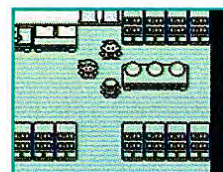
Each Pokémon has its own strengths and weaknesses, and choosing which one to take is really a matter of personal preference. We will say, however, that Bulbasaur will fare the best against some of your early rivals. Before you leave Professor Oak's lab, Gary will challenge you and your Pokémon to your first duel. If you defeat him, you'll win some money. If your Pokémon faints, take it home to your mom for medical treatment.



FIRE POKÉMON
#01 Charmander



WATER POKÉMON
#07 Squirtle



Which Pokémon you choose is up to you, but you'll need to adjust your battle and collecting strategy depending on which one you take.



Your first duel will be against Gary. If you win a duel with any Pokémon trainer, you'll take home bragging rights and a cash prize.

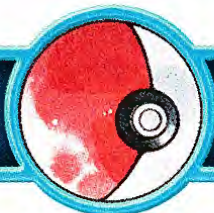
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002 BULBASUR	OWN 1
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004 CHARMANDER	DATA
005	CRY
006	AREA
007	QUIT

The Pick of the Paks: Red & Blue

As you probably know, there are two versions of the Pokémon game: a Red version and a Blue version. Both versions contain the same game, but each has a slightly different set of Pokémon. The various Pokémon also appear in different ratios in each version. For example, Weedle is very common in the Red version but is much tougher to find in the Blue version.

Join the Cable Club

To collect all 150 Pokémon, you must trade with someone who has the other version of the game. Use the Game Link cable to trade Pokémon and fight duels. Once you're linked, begin a game and visit a Cable Club in a Pokémon Center for instructions.



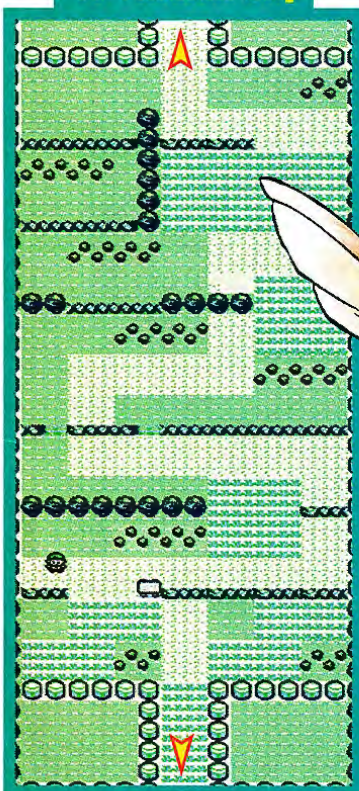
Route 1

With your Pokémon in tow, take Route 1 north to Viridian City. As you wander through the tall grass, wild Pokémon will challenge you. You won't be able to capture them just yet, but that's all right. Let your Pokémon fight a few battles to gain experience. If your Pokémon is injured or faints, you can take it home or to the Pokémon Center in Viridian City.



As you explore the countryside, you'll meet various people. Some will be friendly citizens who may give you clues, while others will be rival Pokémon trainers who will challenge you to duels.

To Viridian City

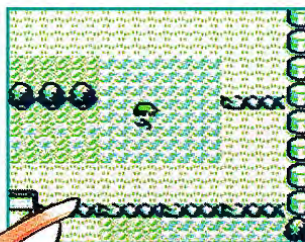
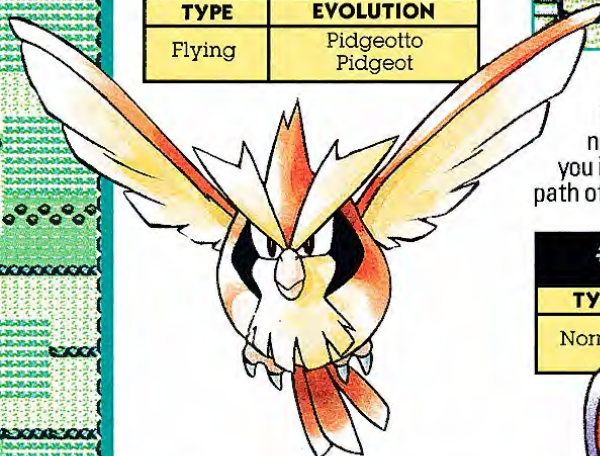


To Pallet Town

Pidgey	MANY	MANY
Rattata	MANY	MANY

#16 Pidgey

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Flying	Pidgeotto Pidgeot



We'll introduce each Pokémon by name and number. We'll also tell you its type and trace the path of its evolution.

#19 Rattata

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Normal	Raticate



Pidgey and Rattata are the two Pokémon you'll find along Route 1. As we introduce new Pokémon, we'll tell you if there are many, few or none at all in each version of the game. For example, look at the chart above Pidgey's stats. According to the color-coded ratings, you'll find many Pidgey in both the Red and Blue versions.

You'll find wild Pokémon in grassy areas. If your Pokémon is weak, use the Run command to escape.





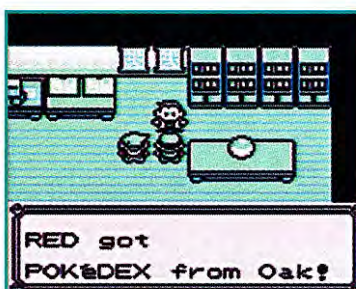
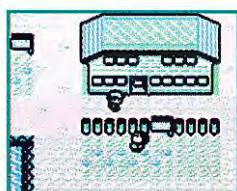
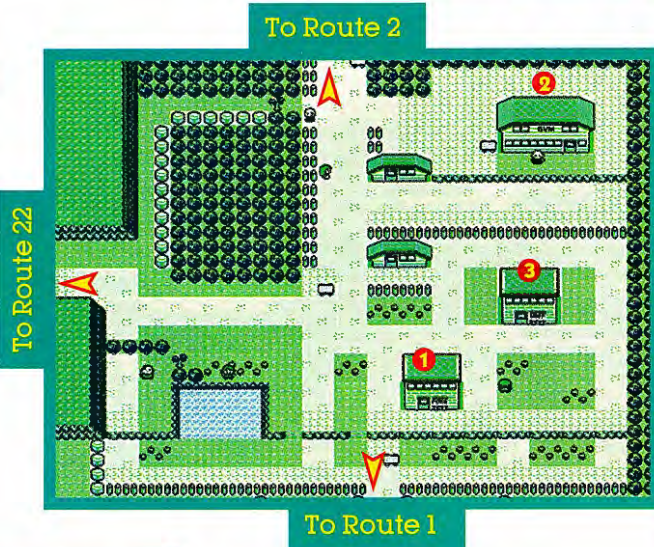
Viridian City

Viridian City has a Pokémon Mart, a Pokémon Center and a Gym. Gyms are where Pokémon trainers usually hang out, but this one is strangely empty. When you visit other towns, you'll be able to challenge local trainers, but for now, you'll have to be content with just looking around.



Special Delivery

The first time you visit the Pokémon Mart in Viridian City, you won't actually be able to buy anything. The Pokémon Mart clerk will give you a package to take to Professor Oak. Deliver the package to receive a Pokédex. The Pokédex is a portable computer that you can use to store your data files on all the Pokémon you've seen or captured. Now return to Viridian City and buy some Poké Balls. If you plan on staying in the area between Pallet Town and Viridian City to build experience, don't bother buying any special medicines just yet. Once you decide to head north to Pewter City, buy at least a couple of Antidotes (which will cure any Poison) for the road.



Pick up Professor Oak's package from the Pokémon Mart in Viridian City. Take it back to Pallet Town and give it to him. He'll give you his new invention in return.

- 1 POKÉMON CENTER
- 2 VIRIDIAN CITY GYM
- 3 POKÉMON MART

Poké Ball	200
Antidote	100
Paralyze Heal	200
Burn Heal	250

Welcome to the Pokémon Center

If you ever need help, the Pokémon Center will be the place to go. There are branch offices in most cities, and they'll provide your Pokémon with free medical treatment. You'll also be able to use their computers to access your PC at home, Professor Oak's PC and Someone's PC. You can use these PCs to store extra items and Pokémon and to receive an evaluation on your progress from Professor Oak. You can carry only six Pokémon at a time.



Each Pokémon Center has a PC you can use to access other PCs. If you access Professor Oak's PC, he'll evaluate your progress.



You'll meet some interesting folks in Viridian City. You don't have to take what they say very seriously.

There are a few areas around here you won't be able to reach until later in the game.



When you return to Pallet Town, be sure to stop by Gary's home. Despite what he said earlier, his sister will give you a map to take with you.

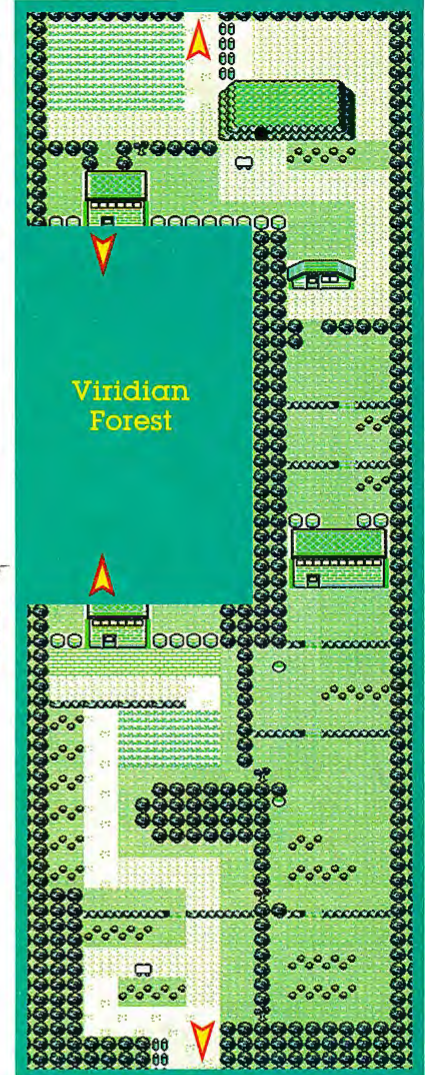




Route 2

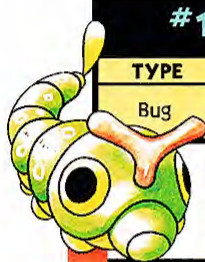
To Pewter City

Now it's time to start collecting Pokémon. Pidgey and Rattata are more plentiful along Route 1, so head back there to collect them first, then go north to Viridian Forest. Remember that you must weaken a Pokémon first before using a Poké Ball to capture it. If your target is too strong, it will break free. On the other hand, if you drain all of your target's energy, it will faint, and you won't be able to collect it. Keep in mind that you can't capture another trainer's Pokémon. You'll run across several trainers in Viridian Forest, so build up at least a couple of your Pokémon before you challenge them. There's only one main route through the forest, so you shouldn't have very much trouble finding your way out. The exit is in the upper left corner of the area.



To Viridian City

#10 Caterpie	
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Bug	Metapod Butterfree

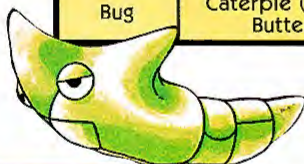


Caterpie will use its String Shot attack to reduce an enemy's speed. Many of Weedle's attacks will be poisonous.

#13 Weedle	
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Bug Poison	Kakuna Beedrill



#11 Metapod	
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Bug	Caterpie (previous) Butterfree

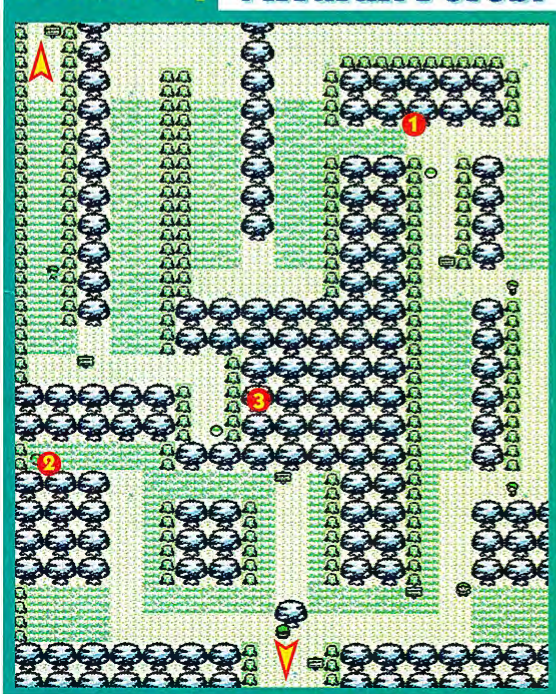


#14 Kakuna	
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Bug Poison	Weedle (previous) Beedrill

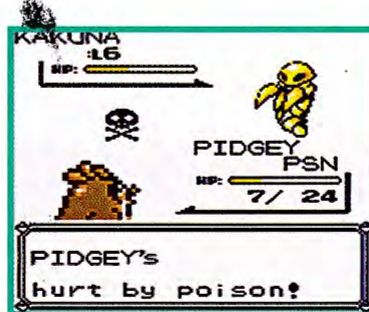


Kakuna and Metapod will focus on defense. If Weedle poisons your Pokémon, use a dose of Antidote to cure it.

To Pewter City Viridian Forest



To Route 2



Rival trainers will often challenge you as soon as they see you, and you won't be able to avoid combat.

- 1 ANTIDOTE
- 2 POKÉ BALL
- 3 POTION

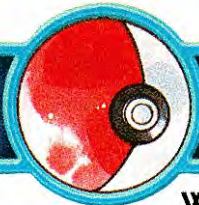
Weedle	MANY FEW
Kakuna	MANY FEW
Metapod	FEW MANY
Caterpie	FEW MANY
Pikachu	FEW FEW

Rattata	MANY MANY
Pidgey	MANY MANY
Weedle	FEW NONE
Caterpie	NONE FEW



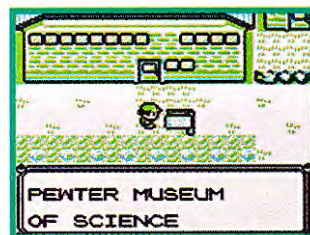
#25 Pikachu	
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Electric	Raichu

Pikachu is one of several Pokémon you'll find in the forest. If you capture one, it will be especially helpful in Cerulean City.



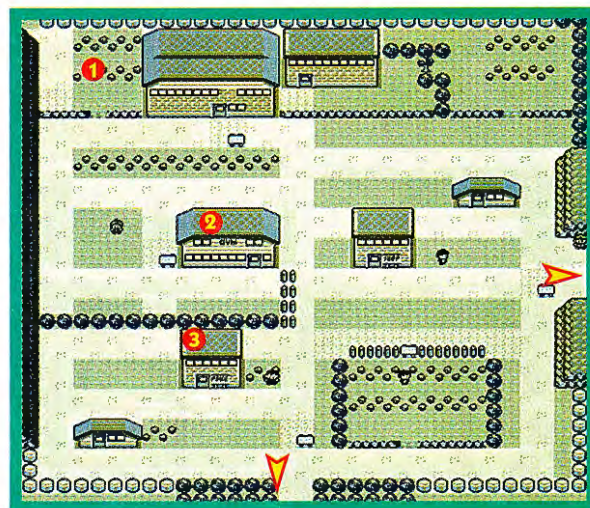
Pewter City

With its own Pokémon Center, Gym, Pokémon Mart and Museum, Pewter City is a true metropolis, hustling and bustling with activity. This is also where you and your Pokémon will face your first major test of skill, battling it out with Brock, the leader of the local Gym.



Hit the Big Time

You've come a long way from Pallet Town, so relax and enjoy the sights here in the big city. If you don't know your way around, just ask, and the locals will be happy to direct you to the Museum or the Gym. The exhibits on fossils and the space program are interesting, but you probably won't be able to make sense of the clues you'll pick up until later. Just keep in mind what you see and hear once you move on to Mt. Moon.



To Route 2

To Route 3

Pewter City Gym

Most of the trainers you find in Gyms will field two, three or even more Pokémon in battle. Before you face Brock, you must fight your way past one of his fellow trainers. The JR Trainer has both Diglet and Sandshrew at his command.

1 MUSEUM

2 PEWTER CITY GYM

3 POKÉMON CENTER

4 POKÉMON MART



Poké Ball	200
Potion	300
Escape Rope	550
Antidote	100
Burn Heal	250
Awakening	200
Paralyze Heal	200

Getting a Piece of the Brock



GEODUDE

LEVEL 12

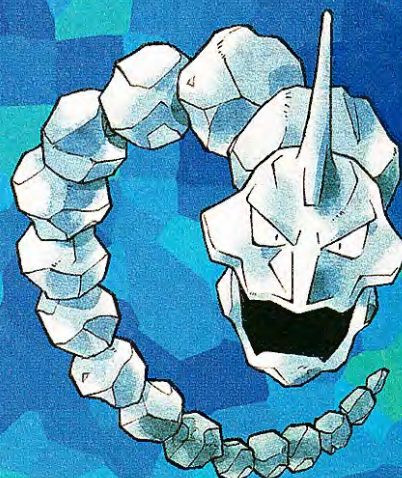


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LEVEL 14

Defeat Brock's Pokémon to receive his official Pokémon League badge as a reward. The Boulderbadge will give all your Pokémon a small boost in power. It will also combine with a Hidden Machine you'll find later and allow you to teach your Pokémon the Flash ability.

Charmander's Fire-based powers will not make a dent in Brock's Rock-type Pokémon. If you don't have Squirtle or Bulbasaur, Pikachu will be your best bet. Build Pikachu up to at least level 16 before you face Brock.





Route 3



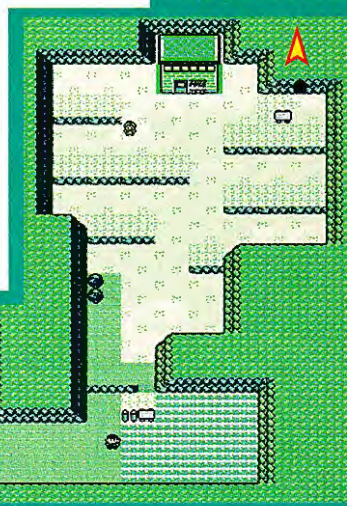
Take Route 3 to Mt. Moon. You'll find no fewer than eight Pokémon trainers on the way. None of their Pokémon are as tough as Brock's, but you'll still have your work cut out for you. At the Mt. Moon Pokémon Center, you can buy a Magikarp Pokémon from a traveling salesman.

#21 Spearow

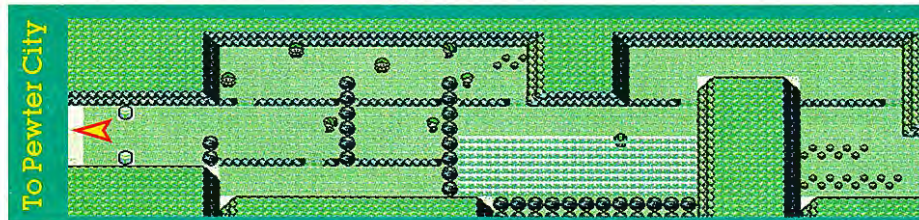
TYPE	EVOLUTION
Normal Flying	Fearow

Pidgey	MANY MANY
Spearow	MANY MANY
Jigglypuff	FEW FEW

Into Mt. Moon

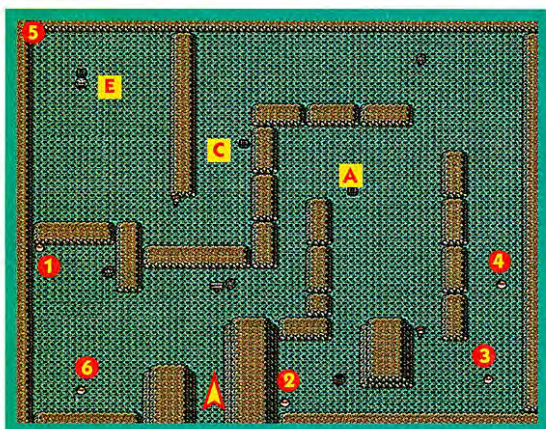


To Pewter City



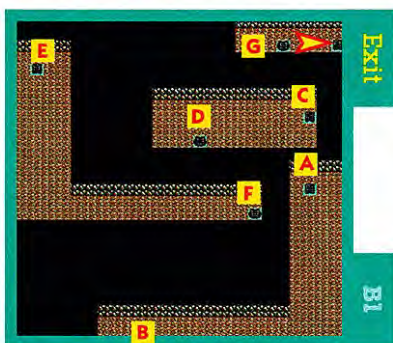
Mt. Moon

Mt. Moon is chock full of Potions, peril and Pokémon. Use the maps to find your way through the tunnels to the exit. You'll also run into members of the infamous Team Rocket, a group of evil Pokémon trainers.



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Start

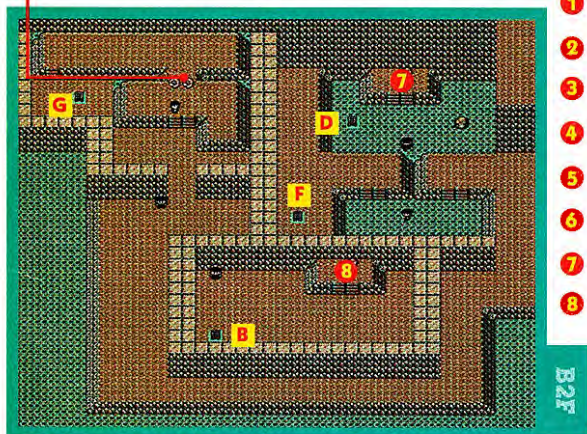


Exit

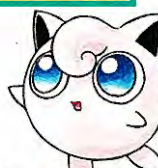
B1

Zubat	MANY MANY
Geodude	FEW FEW
Paras	FEW FEW
Clefairy	FEW FEW

Fossil The letters show how the ladders lead from one floor to the next. The numbers show the locations of the items listed to the right.



- POTION
- POTION
- RARE CANDY
- ESCAPE ROPE
- MOON STONE
- TM 12
- TM 01
- HP UP



#41 Zubat

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Poison Flying	Golbat

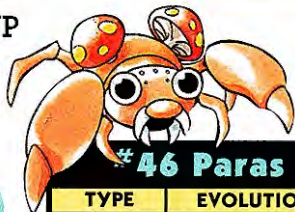
#39 Jigglypuff

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Normal	Wigglytuff



#35 Clefairy

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Normal	Clefable

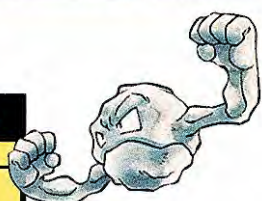


#46 Paras

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Bug Grass	Parasect

#74 Geodude

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Rock Ground	Graveler Golem



Technical Machine

Technical Machines, or TMs, are special devices that teach a particular skill to any one Pokémon. For example, the TM 34 you win from Brock can be used to teach a Pokémon the Bite technique, which will reflect an attack back on an enemy. Each TM can be used once only.

BULBASAU	A414
PIDGEY	A410
PIKACHU	A410
RATTATA	A410

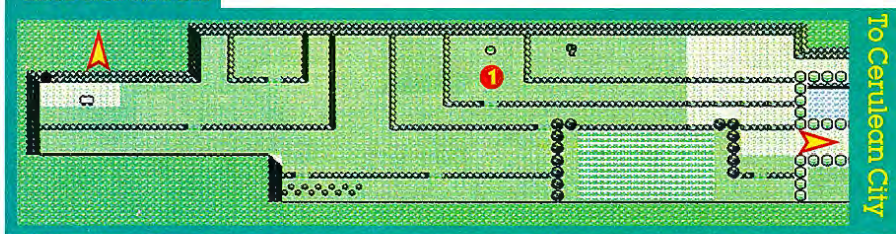
RATTATA	learned
BITE	



Route 4

After the ordeal in Mt. Moon, Route 4 will seem like a walk in the park. You must jump over a hedge to reach the final path to Cerulean City. Just be aware that once you leap over that barrier, you'll be trapped in Cerulean City until you defeat Misty, the leader of the local Gym.

Into Mt. Moon



To Cerulean City

1 TM 04

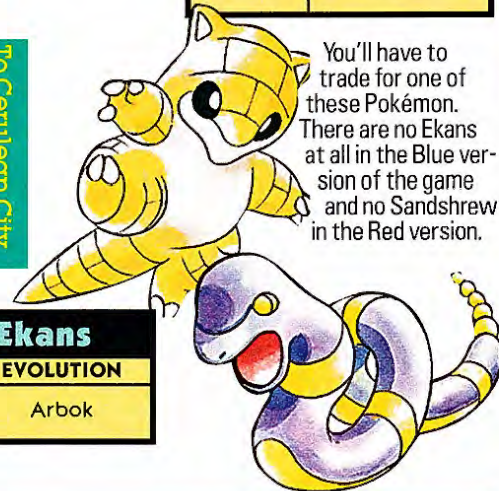
Rattata	MANY	MANY
Spearow	FEW	FEW
Ekans	FEW	NONE
Sandshrew	NONE	FEW

#23 Ekans

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Poison	Arbok

#27 Sandshrew

TYPE	EVOLUTION
Ground	Sandslash



You'll have to trade for one of these Pokémon. There are no Ekans at all in the Blue version of the game and no Sandshrew in the Red version.



Cerulean City

As long as you're trapped in Cerulean City, you may as well gather information from the locals. Defeat Misty in the local Gym to open the bridge to the north. If you need to build levels before you challenge Misty, look for Pokémon in the field to the west of town.

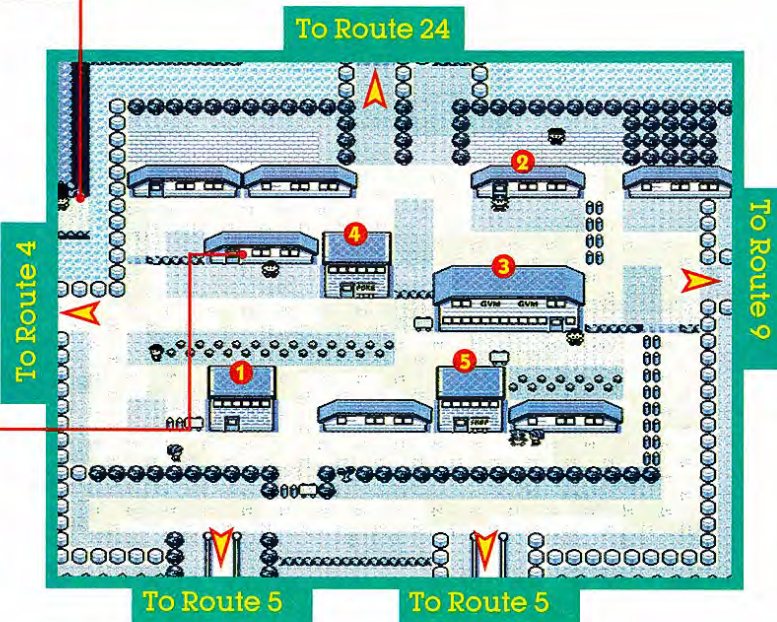


A Smooth Ride

As you know, you can earn tons of money by defeating Pokémon trainers in combat. You'll have to defeat a lot of trainers, though, to buy a bike in Cerulean City. A new ride here will set you back a cool ¥1 million!

You won't meet up with this fellow until much later in the game, so don't waste any time trying to get to him. Just remember to come back here later on.

The man in this house will trade a Kung-Foo for a Spectre. If you capture two Kung-Foo, you can keep one and trade the other. Kung-Foo will appear in a later area.



- BIKE SHOP
- HOUSE
- CERULEAN GYM
- POKÉMON CENTER
- POKÉMON MART

Poké Ball	200
Potion	300
Repel	350
Antidote	100
Burn Heal	250
Awakening	200
Paralyze Heal	200

You'll need to win a lot of duels to earn enough money for a bicycle. The bicycle will enable you to travel very quickly, but you'll still be open to attack from wild Pokémon and rival trainers.



She's Just a Wet Blanket



STARYU

LEVEL 18



STARMIE

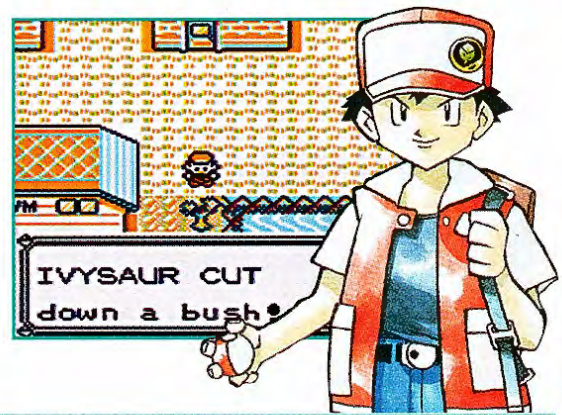
LEVEL 21

Misty is the leader of the local Gym, but you'll have to face two other trainers before you can challenge her. Defeat Misty's Pokémon to receive her TM 11 and her Cascadebadge. This badge can be combined with a Hidden Machine you'll find later to gain the Cut ability.



The Rocky Road Ahead

With Misty out of the way, you'll be able to explore Route 24. If you want to find out more about the mysteries and danger that lie ahead, tune in every month for the next five months for more exciting issues of Pokémon Power. We'll be presenting the best collecting and combat strategies straight from the pros at Nintendo, so you won't want to miss a single issue!



The Oak Files

Lesson 1: Types

There are 15 major types of Pokémon, and each type has specific strengths and weaknesses. To find out how one type of Pokémon will do in battle against another, refer to the chart to the right. On the left side of the chart, look for the type that corresponds to your Pokémon. On the top of the chart, look for the your opponent's type. From your type, trace a line to the right, and from your opponent's type, trace a line going down. Look at the symbol in the space where the lines meet. This will tell you whether you have a great chance, a good chance, a poor chance or no chance at all of winning the battle. For example, a Fire-type (#2) will have a great chance against a Bug-type (#13), but a poor chance against a Rock-type (#13). Use this chart to plan your battle strategies.

POKÉMON BATTLE CHART

ATTACK ● great ■ good ▲ poor ✕ bad

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POKÉMON TYPES

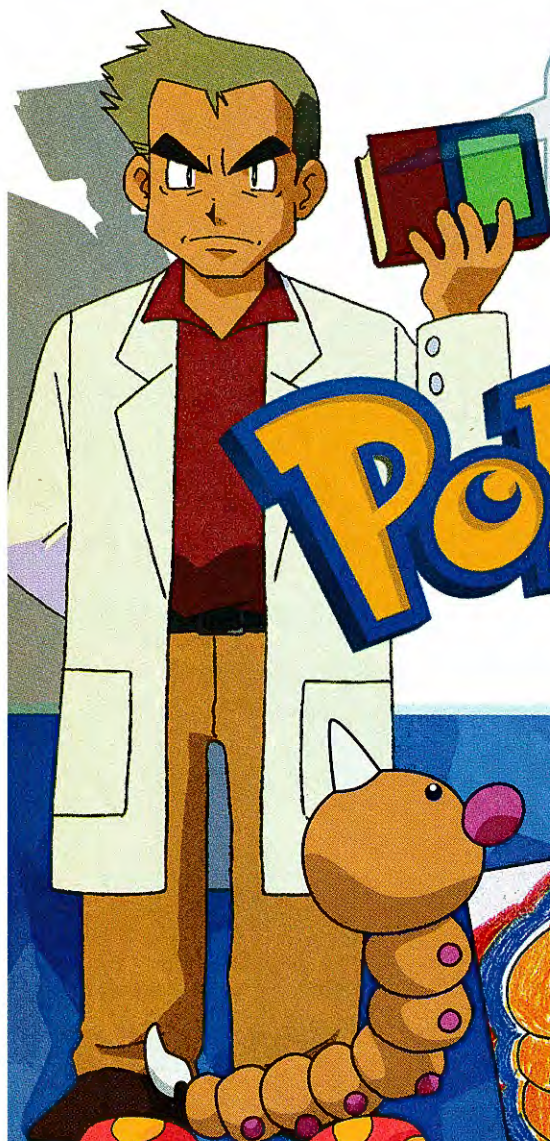
1: NORMAL
2: FIRE
3: WATER

4: ELECTRIC
5: GRASS
6: ICE

7: FIGHTING
8: POISON
9: GROUND

10: FLYING
11: PSYCHIC
12: BUG

13: ROCK
14: GHOST
15: DRAGON



Hello, everyone. I'm Professor Oak, the world's leading expert on the wondrous creatures known as Pokémon. I'll be joining you every month with special tips, information and Pokémon profiles. This month, we'll take a closer look at Weedle, Paras and one of my personal favorites, Bulbasaur.

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Pokémon Profiles

#13 Weedle

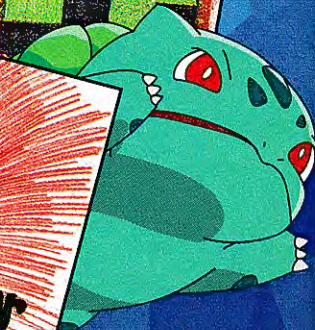
Our first specimen is Weedle. While most Pokémon belong to a single category or type, Weedle actually has the combined characteristics of both a Bug-type and a Poison-type Pokémon. It has twice the strengths and twice the weaknesses of other Pokémon.

#46 Paras

Paras is another dual-category Pokémon. It is a combination of a Bug-type and a Grass-type Pokémon. It is often difficult to predict how dual-type Pokémon will perform in battle, especially against other dual-types. In the end, however, you'll find that they are among the most useful and versatile Pokémon.

#01 Bulbasaur

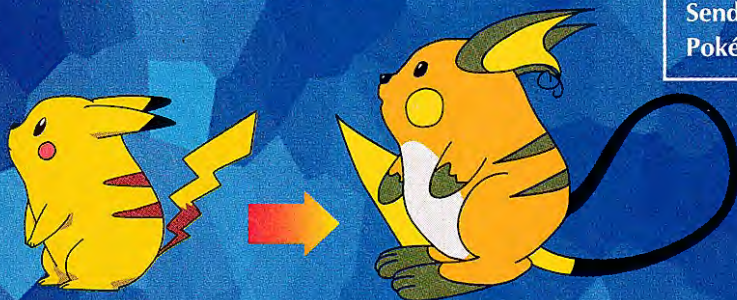
Bulbasaur is a combination of a Poison-type and a Grass-type Pokémon. Grass-types are quite unusual in that they are creatures that display some of the characteristics of plants. For example, as Bulbasaur gains experience, the plant-like growth on its back will also develop. When Bulbasaur evolves into Ivysaur, the bulb will sprout.





SPECIAL REPORT: EVOLUTION

As a Pokémon wins battles, it will gain experience points and move up in levels. When some Pokémon reach certain experience levels, they will evolve into new, more powerful forms. A Geodude, for example, will evolve into a Graveler, and a Graveler will evolve into a Golem. Some Pokémon will evolve only after they have been traded from one Game Pak to another through the Game Link.



ATTENTION, ARTISTS

Dear friends, I'm sure you're as excited about Pokémon as I am. If you'd like to share your enthusiasm with your fellow trainers, then send me an envelope with a drawing of your favorite Pokémon. I'll print a selection of envelope art each month until we've shown all 150 Pokémon. To start us off, I asked Kyle Hunter, Sonja Morris and Tony Sandoval to produce the artwork for this month's gallery. Send your envelopes to the address below. One Pokémon per envelope, please. See you next month!



#25
Pikachu



#61
Poliwhirl



#80
Slowbro

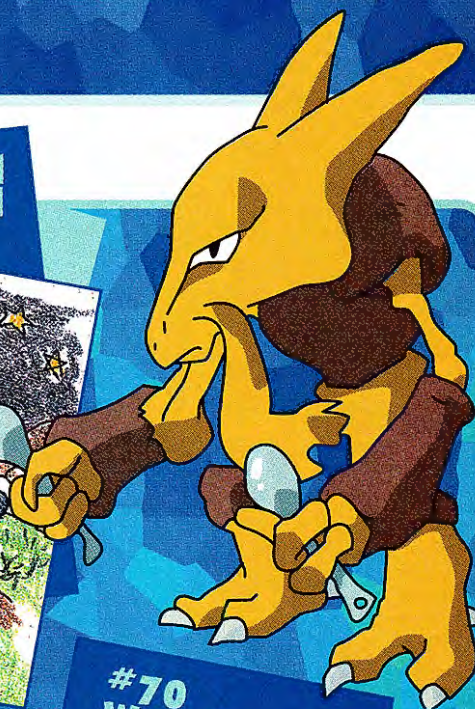


#70
Weepinbell



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EPISODE ONE

I CHOOSE YOU!

POKÉMON FANS,
THIS IS ONE OF
THE MOST
EXCITING
BATTLES I'VE
EVER SEEN!

GENGAR
UNLEASHES ITS
HYPNOSIS
ATTACK ON
NIDORINO!

Hooray!

Whooooah

Yaaay!

Yaaay!

A NEW
POKÉMON IS
ENTERING THE
FIGHT!

NIDORINO IS
OUT LIKE A
LIGHT! BUT
WAIT!

Hooray!

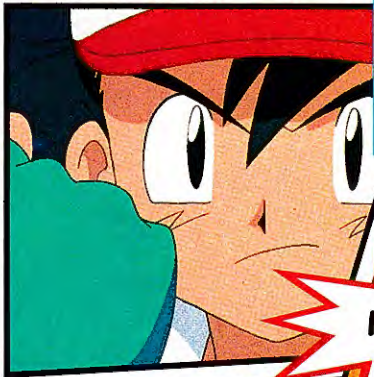
ONIX REARS
BACK TO
STRIKE!

SHOOM!

BUT GENGAR
JUMPS ASIDE!

IT'S THE
GIANT
SERPENT,
ONIX!

GENGAR REALLY HAS
THE MOVES TODAY!
ITS TRAINING IS
TOP-NOTCH!



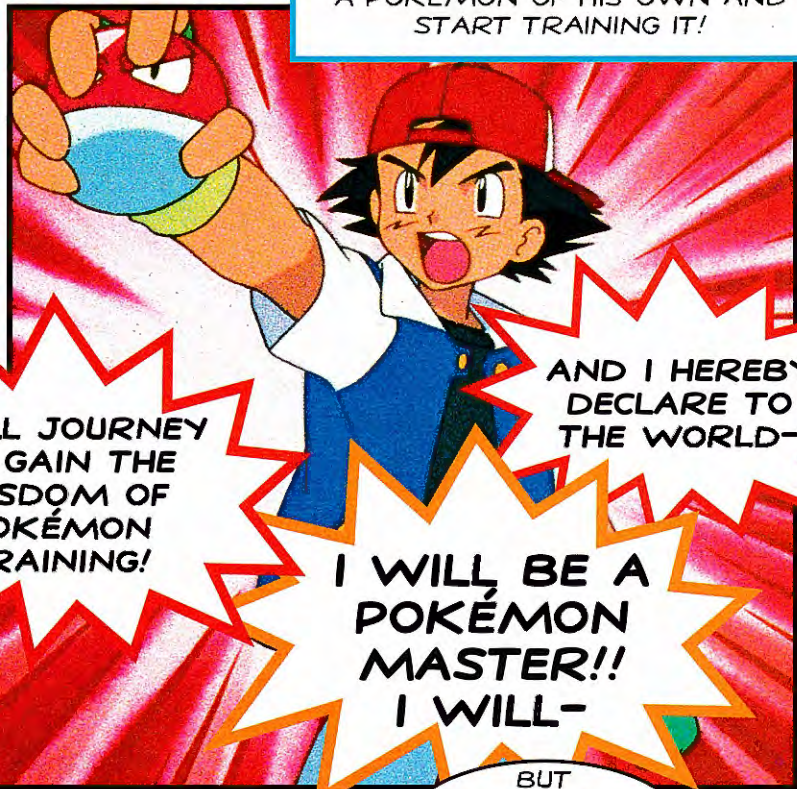
IN THE TOWN OF PALLET, A YOUNG BOY NAMED ASH WATCHES THE CLASH OF THE POKÉMON ON TV AS HE DREAMS ABOUT BECOMING A POKÉMON MASTER HIMSELF...



I AM ASH!!

ASH'S WORLD IS POPULATED WITH HUNDREDS OF CREATURES KNOWN AS POKÉMON. THESE MONSTERS ARE OFTEN CAPTURED AND TRAINED AS PETS, COMPANIONS AND GUARDIANS. WHEN CHILDREN BECOME TEN YEARS OLD, THEY CAN GET THEIR POKÉMON TRAINING LICENSES.

PROSPECTIVE POKÉMON TRAINERS CAN GET BEGINNERS' POKÉMON FROM THE TOWN'S POKÉMON EXPERT, PROFESSOR OAK. NOW THAT ASH IS OLD ENOUGH, HE CAN'T WAIT TO GET A POKÉMON OF HIS OWN AND START TRAINING IT!



AND I HEREBY DECLARE TO THE WORLD-

I WILL JOURNEY TO GAIN THE WISDOM OF POKÉMON TRAINING!

I WILL BE A POKÉMON MASTER!!
I WILL-

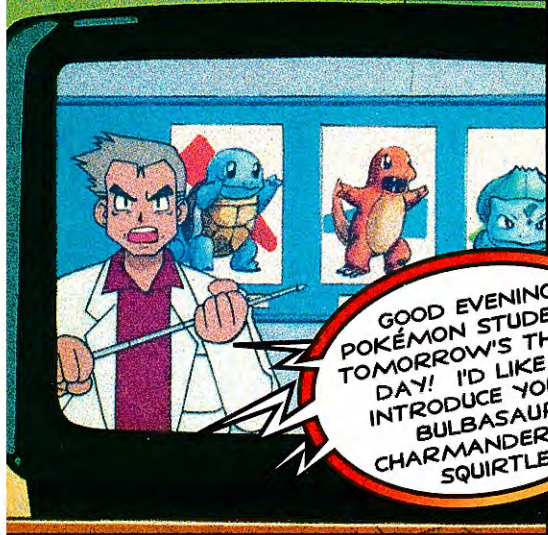
ASH, GET TO BED!

IT'S 11 O'CLOCK AND YOU SHOULD BE ASLEEP!

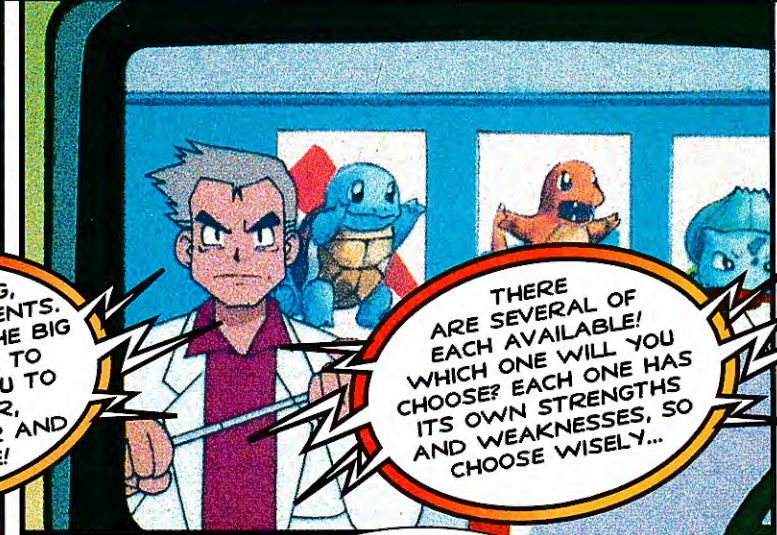
BUT TOMORROW I BEGIN MY POKÉMON JOURNEY...

WELL, WATCH THIS. IT WILL HELP YOU GET READY...

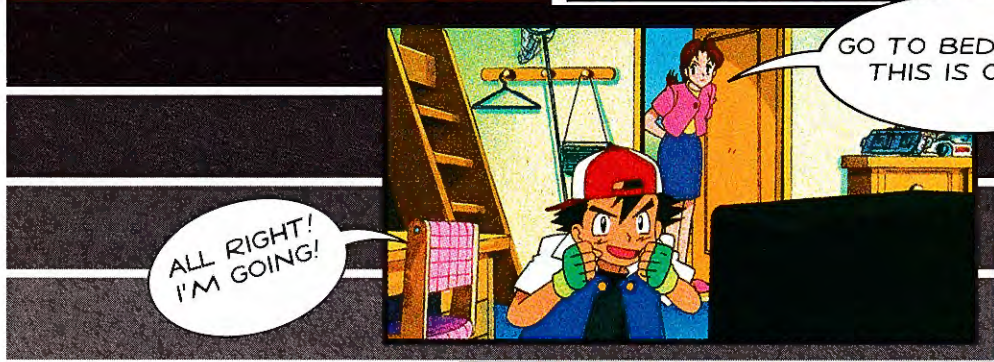
Whoops!



GOOD EVENING, POKÉMON STUDENTS. TOMORROW'S THE BIG DAY! I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO BULBASUR, CHARMANDER AND SQUIRTLE!

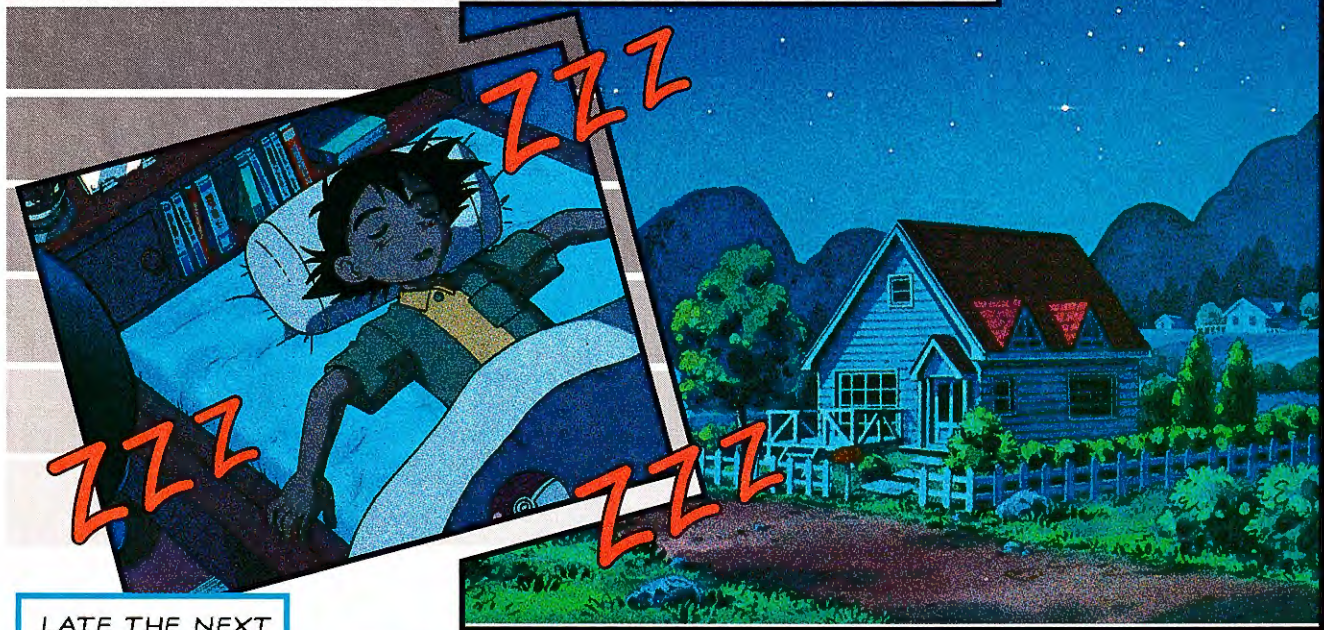


THERE ARE SEVERAL OF EACH AVAILABLE! WHICH ONE WILL YOU CHOOSE? EACH ONE HAS ITS OWN STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, SO CHOOSE WISELY...

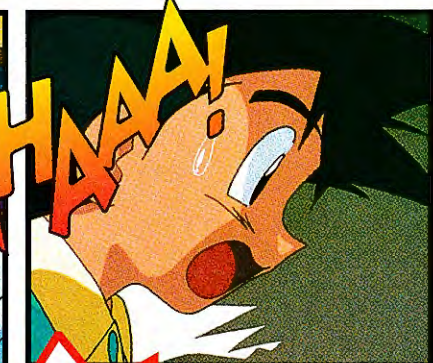
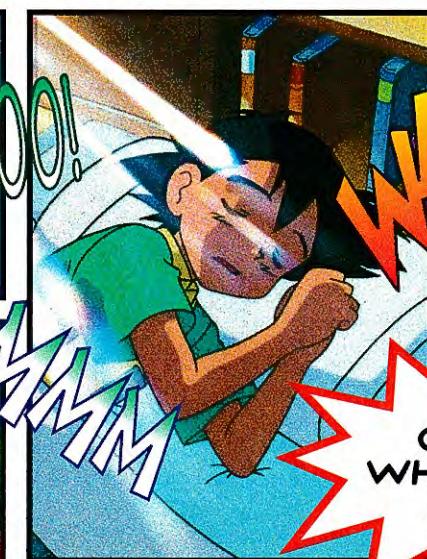


GO TO BED WHEN THIS IS OVER!

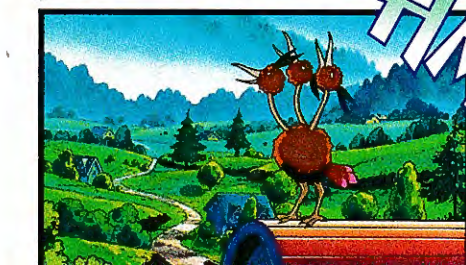
ALL RIGHT! I'M GOING!

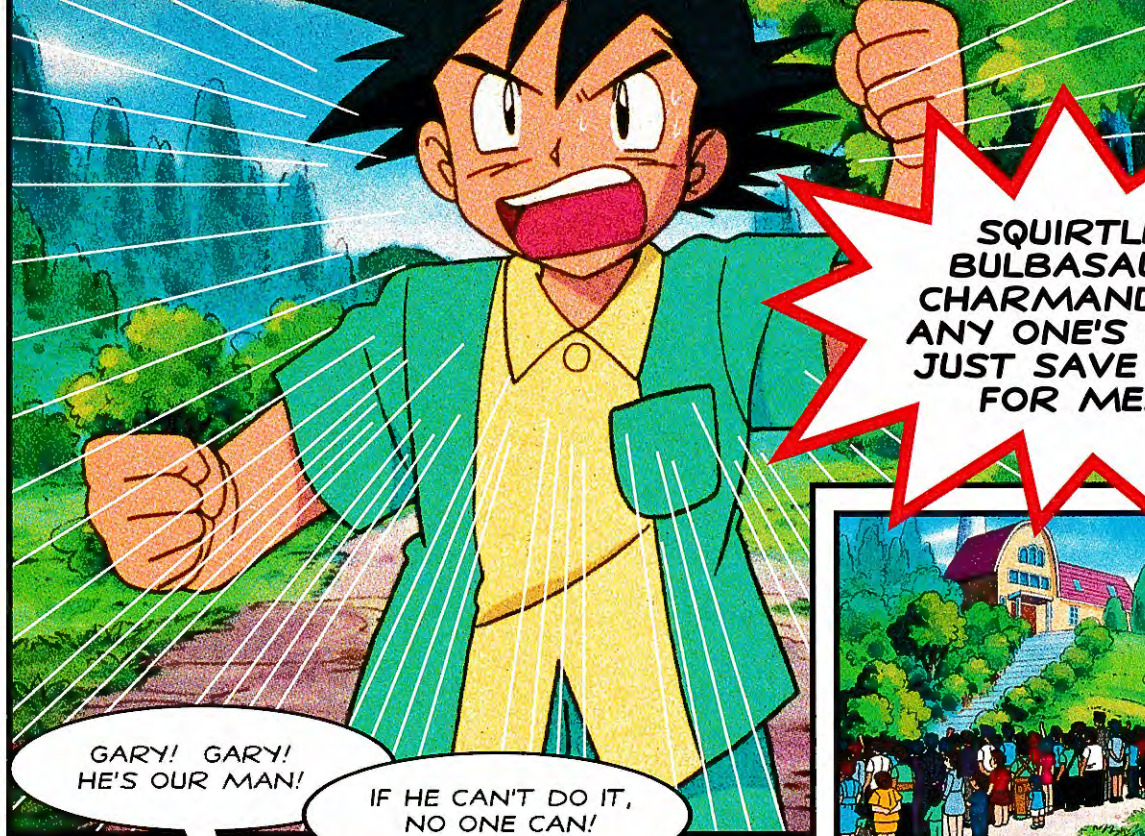


LATE THE NEXT MORNING...



OH NO! WHAT TIME IS IT?!

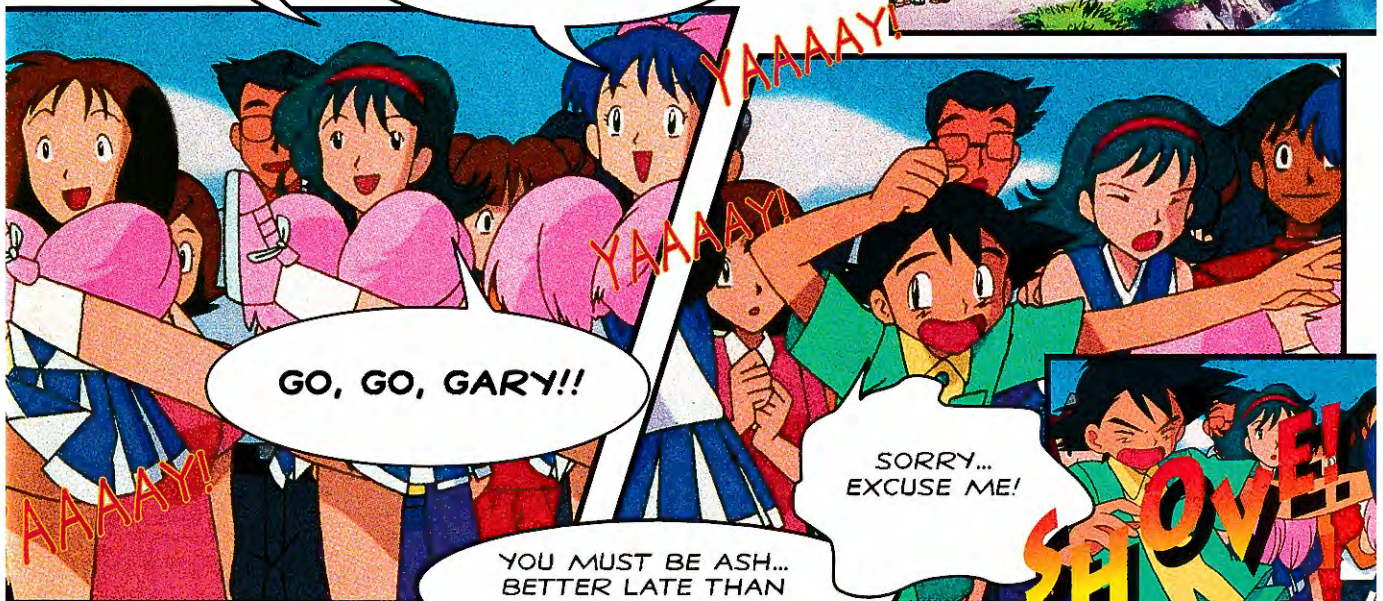
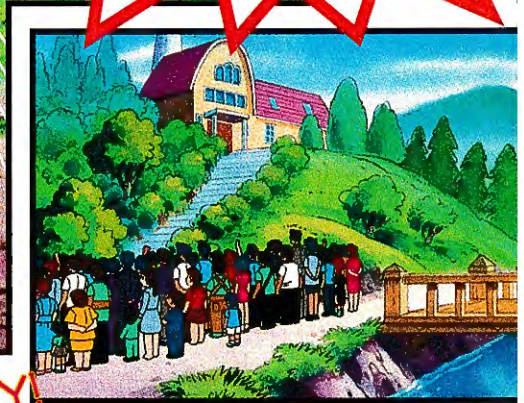




SQUIRTLE,
BULBASAUR,
CHARMANDER
ANY ONE'S FINE!
JUST SAVE ONE
FOR ME!!

GARY! GARY!
HE'S OUR MAN!

IF HE CAN'T DO IT,
NO ONE CAN!



GO, GO, GARY!!

SORRY...
EXCUSE ME!

YOU MUST BE ASH...
BETTER LATE THAN
NEVER, I SUPPOSE!

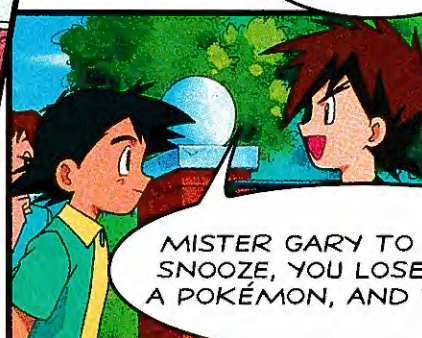


AAAAHH!



GARY?!
GARY OAK?

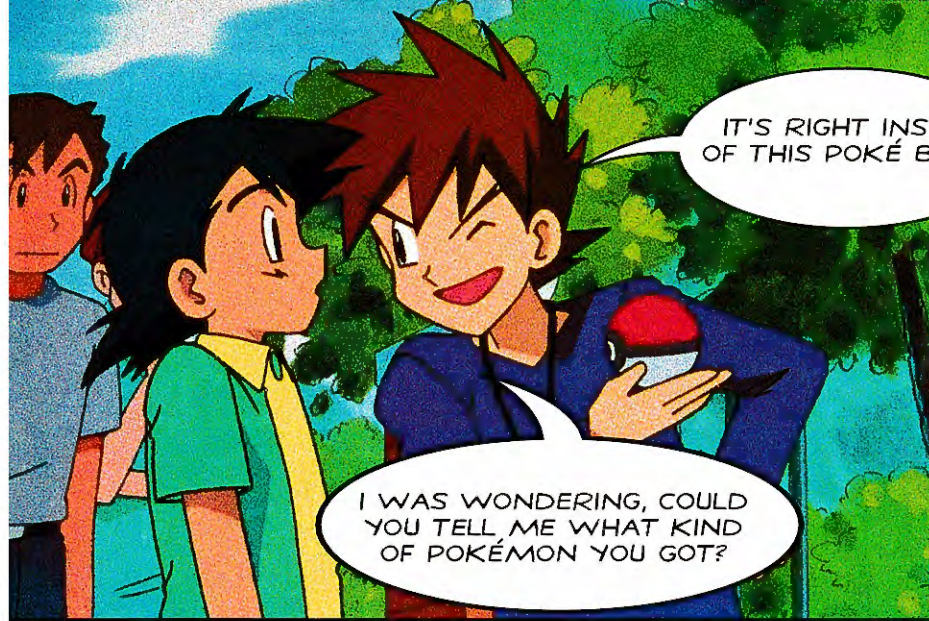
THAT'S RIGHT,
LOSER!



MISTER GARY TO YOU! YOU
SNOOZE, YOU LOSE! I'VE GOT
A POKÉMON, AND YOU DON'T!

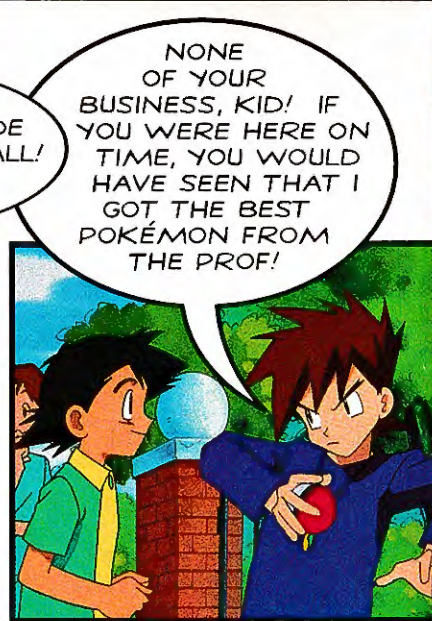


YOU... GOT YOUR
FIRST
POKÉMON?

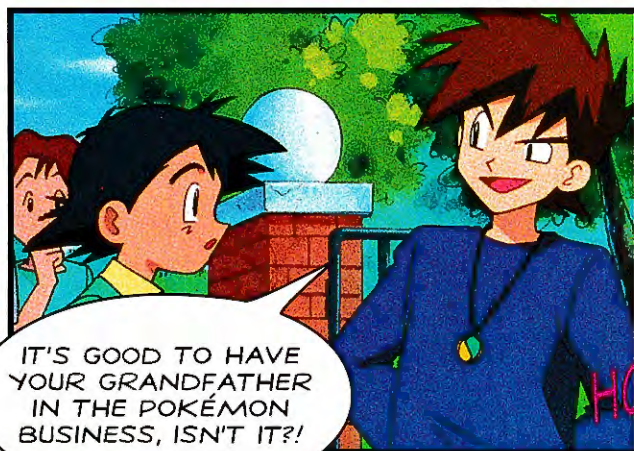


IT'S RIGHT INSIDE
OF THIS POKÉ BALL!

I WAS WONDERING, COULD
YOU TELL ME WHAT KIND
OF POKÉMON YOU GOT?



NONE
OF YOUR
BUSINESS, KID! IF
YOU WERE HERE ON
TIME, YOU WOULD
HAVE SEEN THAT I
GOT THE BEST
POKÉMON FROM
THE PROF!

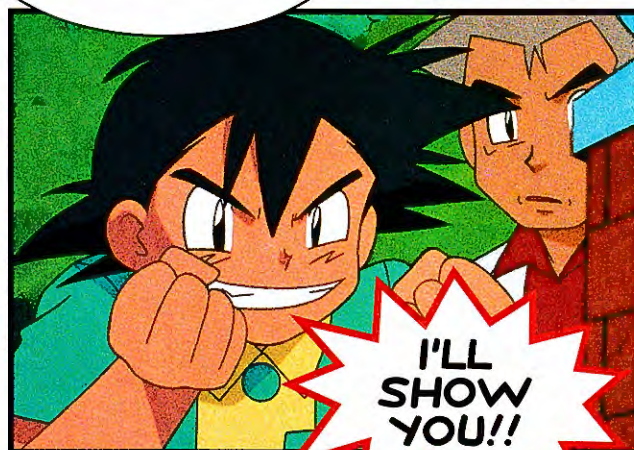


IT'S GOOD TO HAVE
YOUR GRANDFATHER
IN THE POKÉMON
BUSINESS, ISN'T IT?!

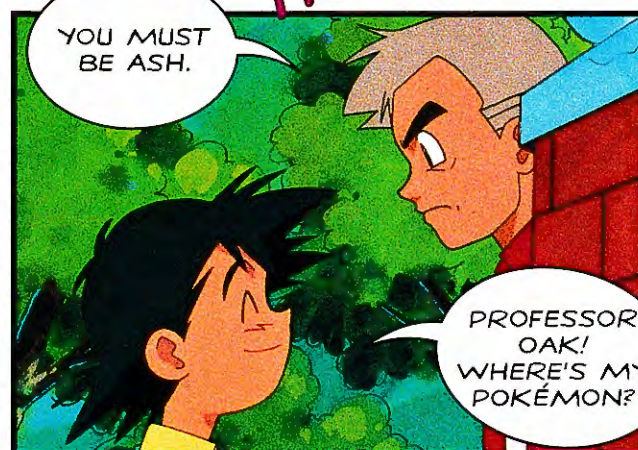


THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING OUT TO
SEE HISTORY IN THE MAKING! I'M OFF
TO LEARN THE WAYS OF THE
POKÉMON TRAINER!!

HOOOOORAY!
HOOOOORAY!

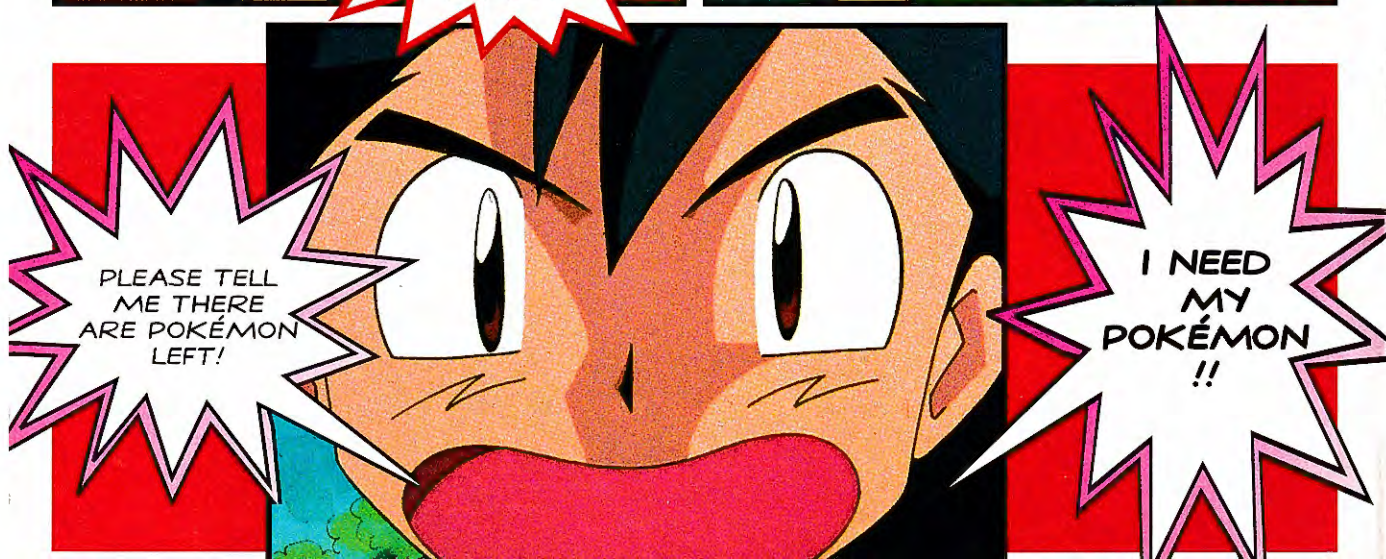


I'LL
SHOW
YOU!!



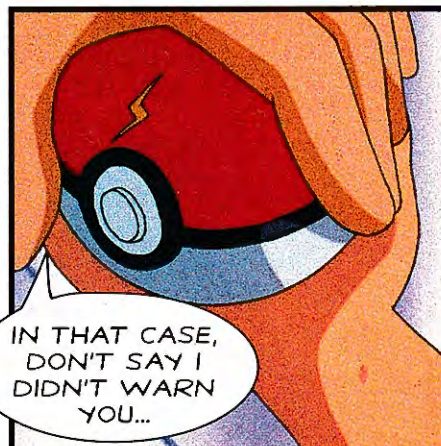
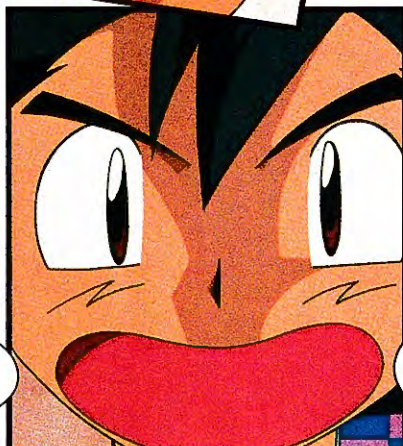
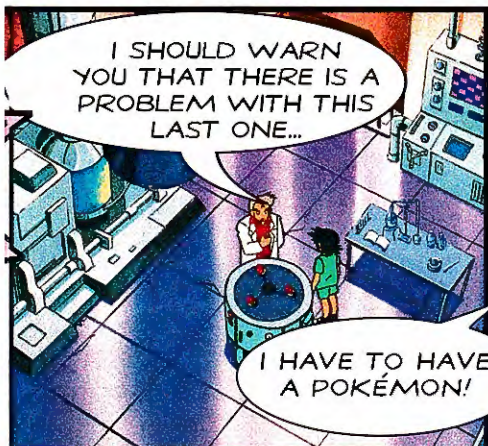
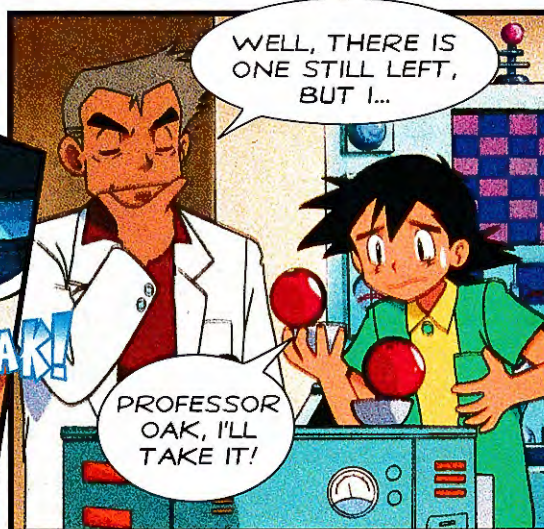
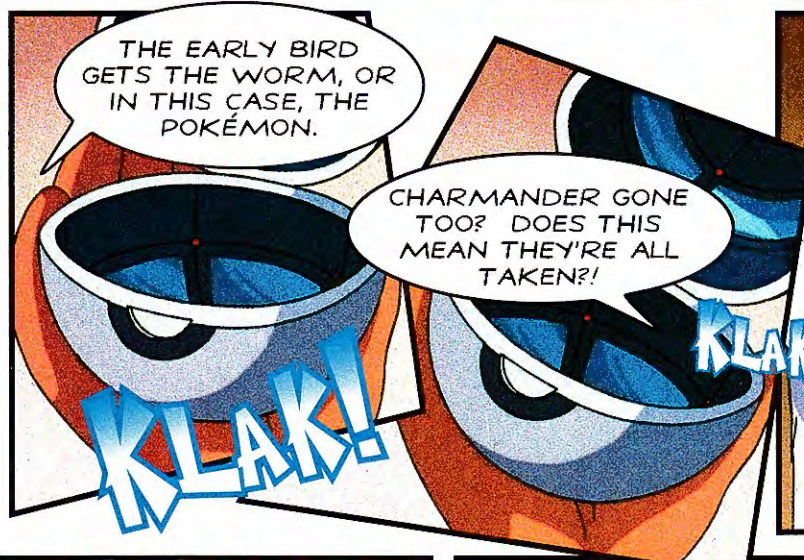
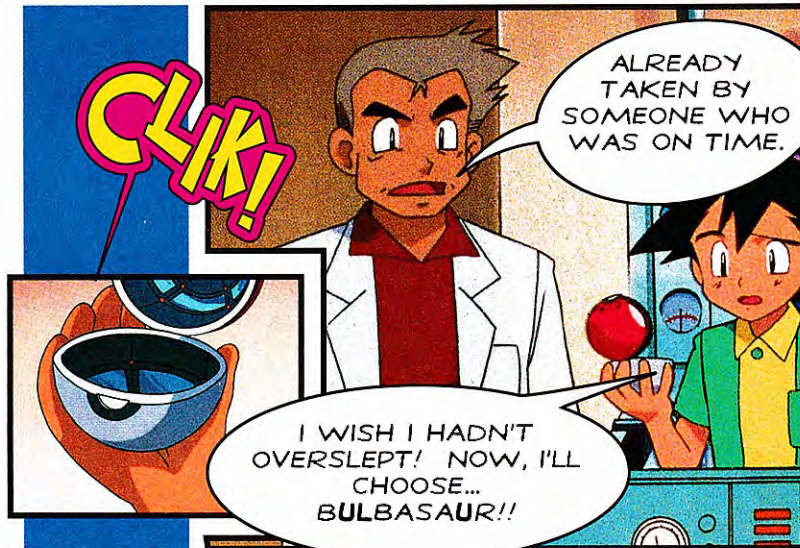
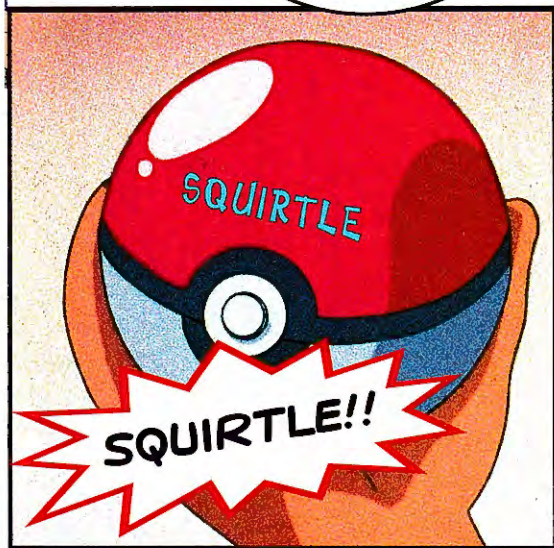
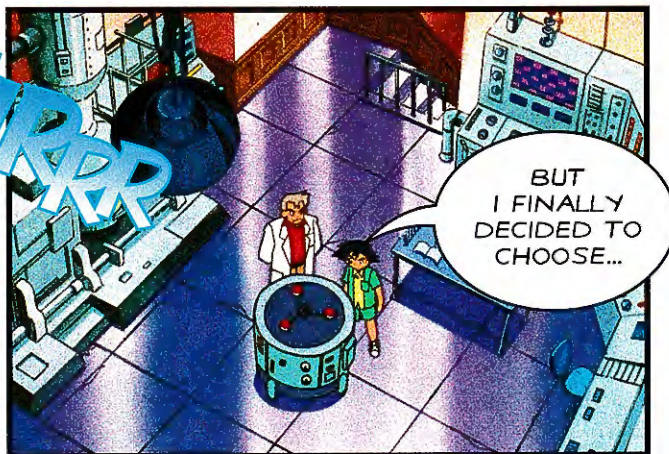
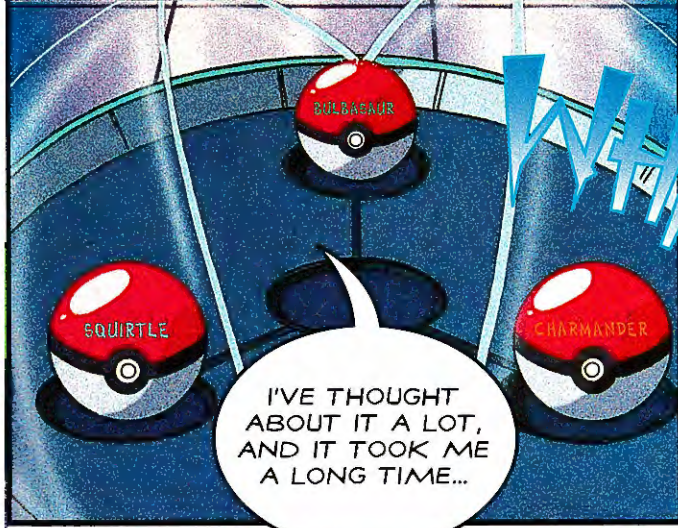
YOU MUST
BE ASH.

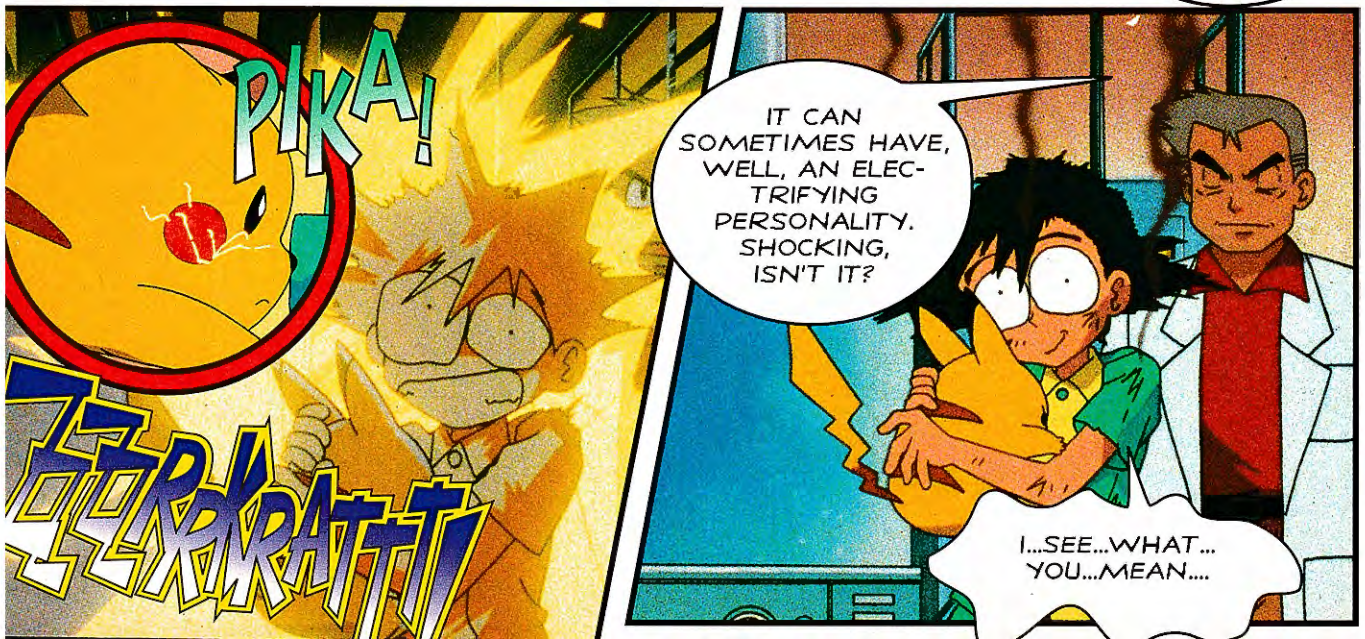
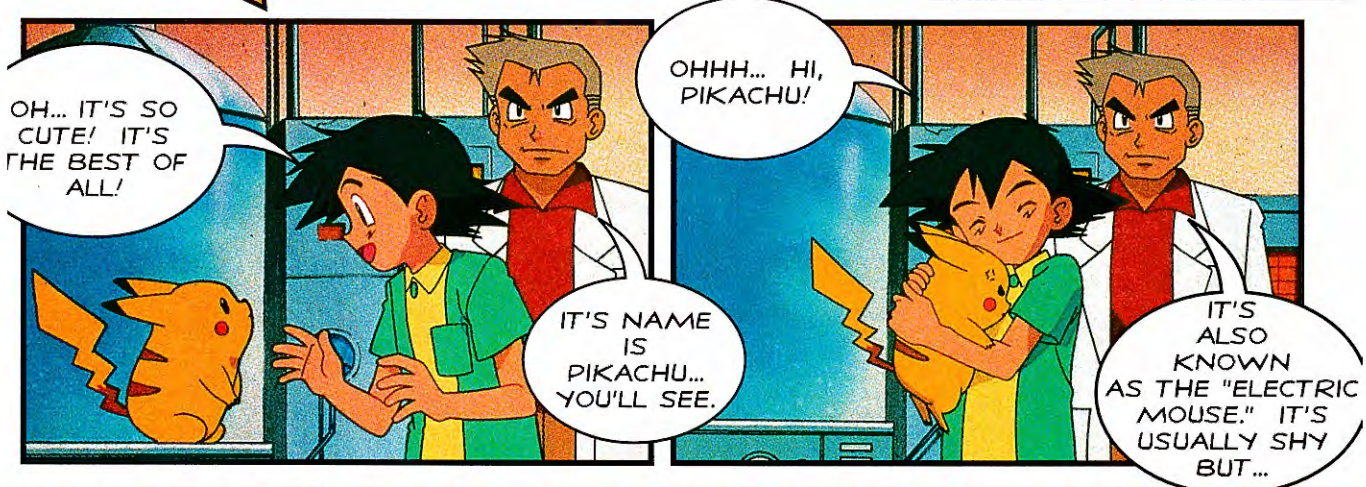
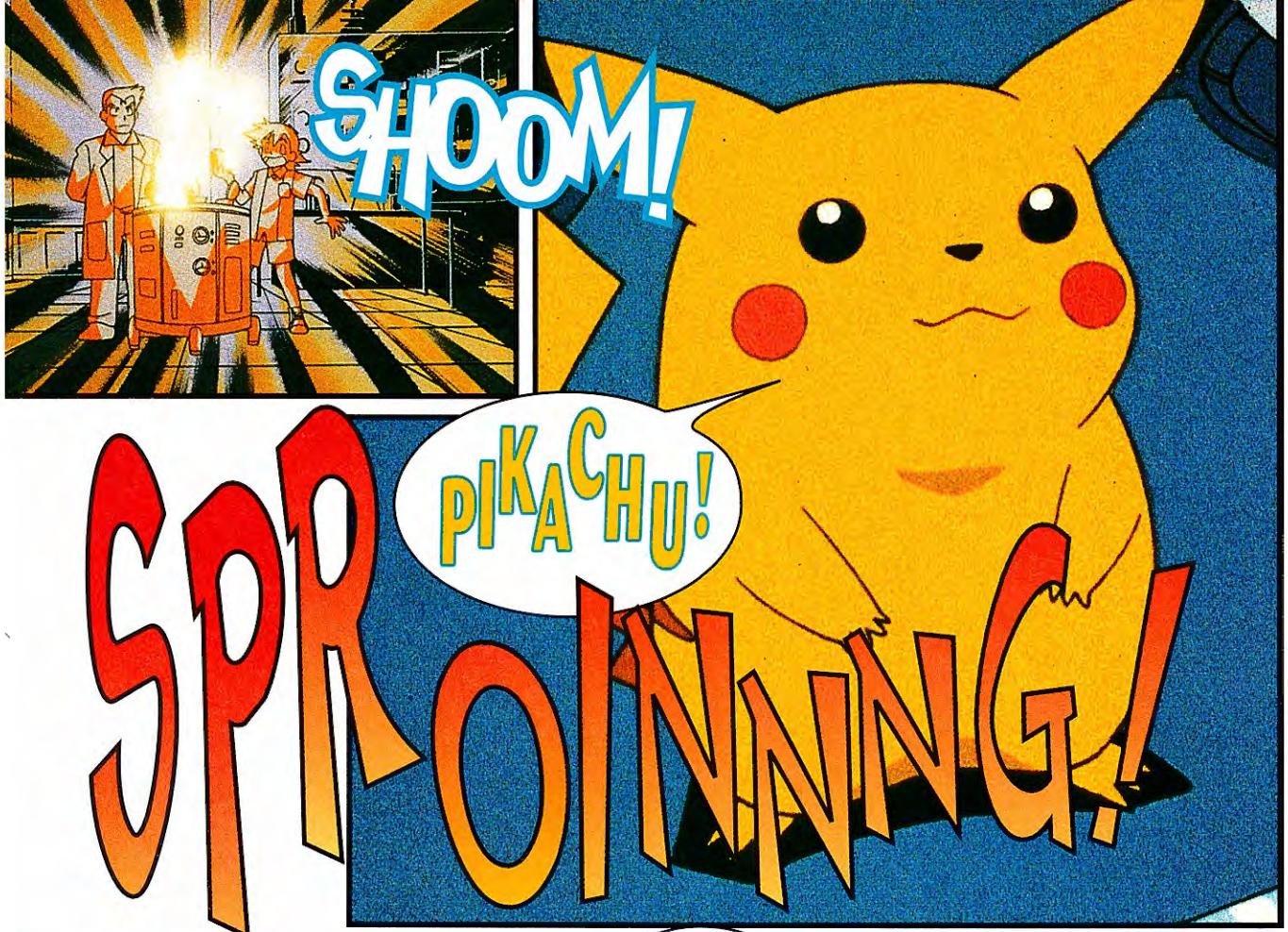
PROFESSOR
OAK!
WHERE'S MY
POKÉMON?

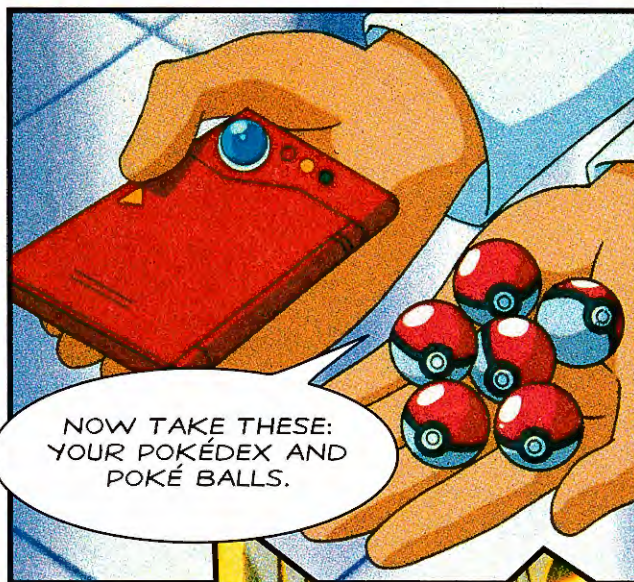


PLEASE TELL
ME THERE
ARE POKÉMON
LEFT!

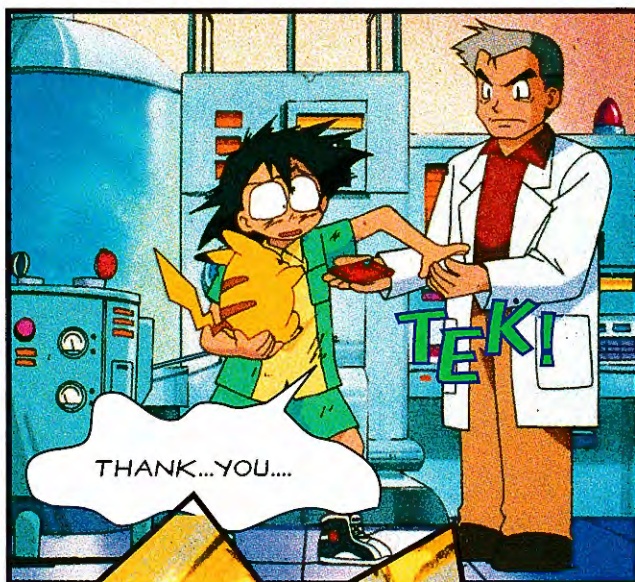
I NEED
MY
POKÉMON
!!



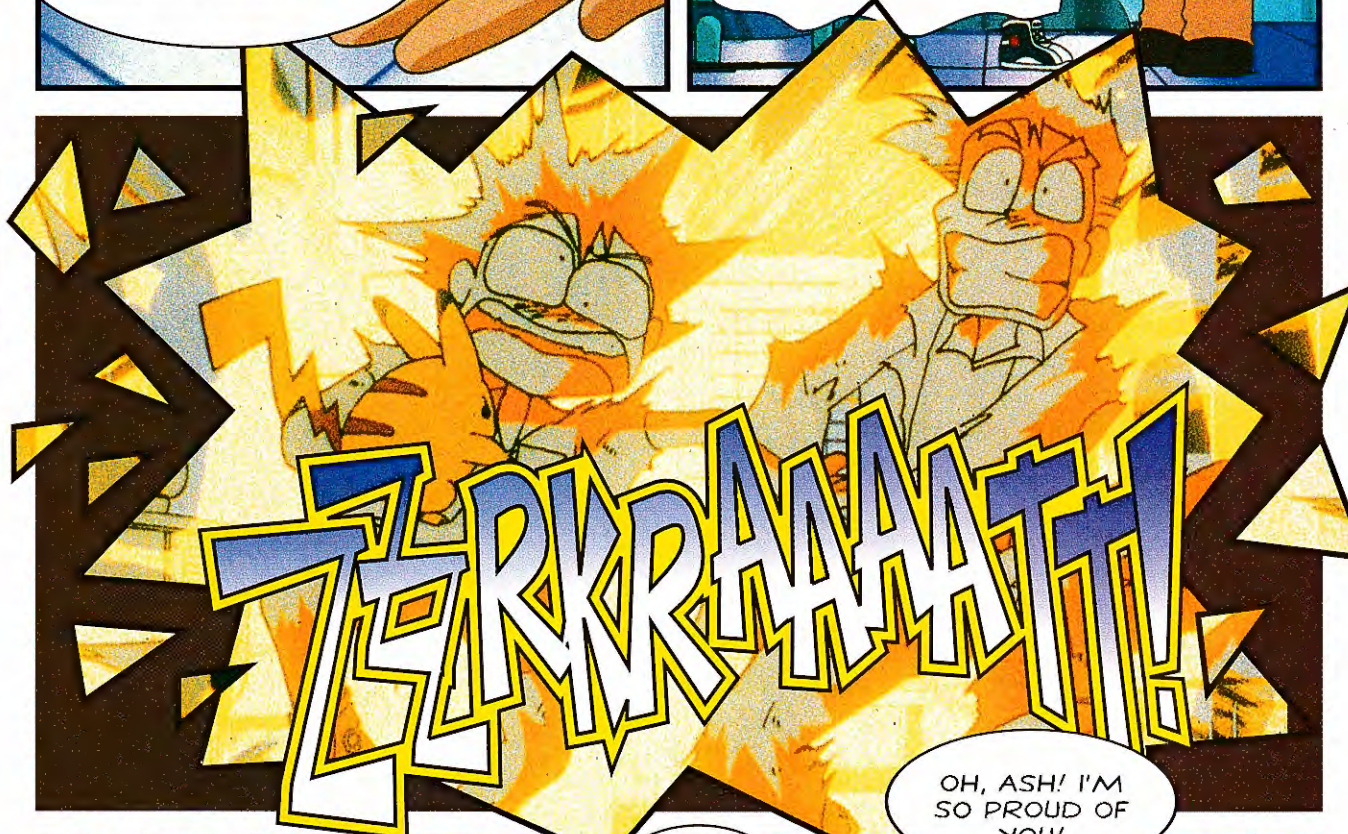




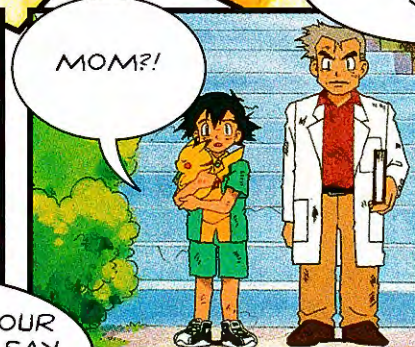
NOW TAKE THESE:
YOUR POKÉDEX AND
POKÉ BALLS.



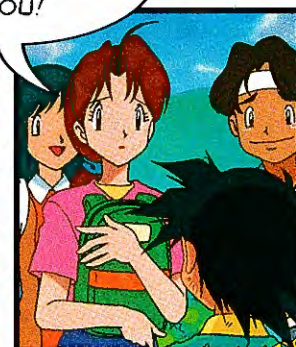
THANK...YOU....



ASH! ASH! ASHY!

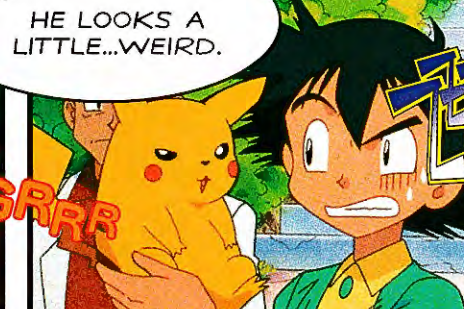
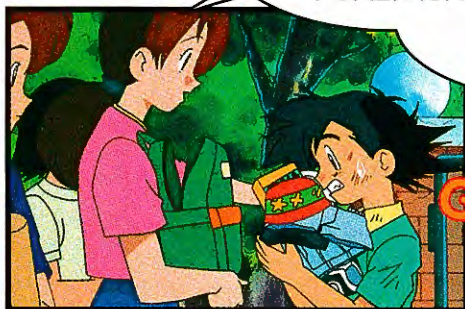


MOM?!



OH, ASH! I'M
SO PROUD OF
YOU!

I BROUGHT YOUR
THINGS, AND...SAY,
IS THAT YOUR
POKÉMON?



HE LOOKS A
LITTLE...WEIRD.



LATER THAT DAY, ASH SETS OUT ALONG WITH HIS NEW POKÉMON, PIKACHU, ON HIS JOURNEY TO BECOME A POKÉMON MASTER. THE INDEPENDENT MINDED PIKACHU REFUSES TO GET INSIDE OF ASH'S POKÉ BALL, SO ASH MUST DRAG THE RELUCTANT POKÉMON BEHIND HIM.

SKRIKK!

SKRRRAAT!

PIKACHU, WHY DON'T YOU JUST GET INSIDE THE POKÉ BALL, LIKE IT SAYS YOU SHOULD IN THE POKÉDEX?

SKRRITT!

DURING HIS TRAVELS, ASH WILL OFTEN CONSULT HIS POKÉDEX, A PALM SIZED COMPUTER WITH ENCYCLOPEDIA KNOWLEDGE OF POKÉMON HABITS...

WHILE BEING TRAINED, A POKÉMON USUALLY STAYS INSIDE ITS POKÉ BALL...

SKRIKK!

HOWEVER, THERE ARE MANY EXCEPTIONS. SOME POKÉMON HATE BEING CONFINED.

OK, I DITCHED THE LEASH AND GLOVES--IS THAT BETTER?

RUSTLE

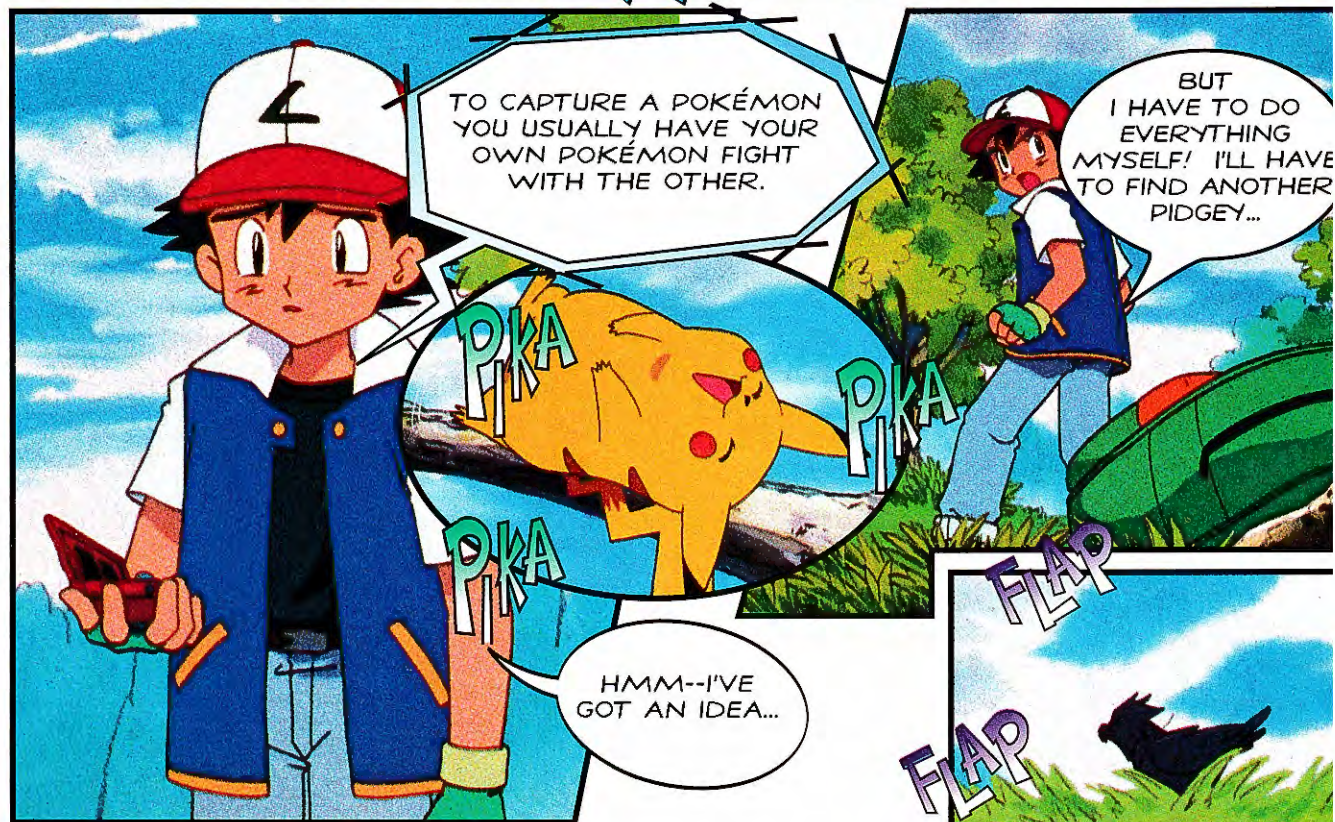
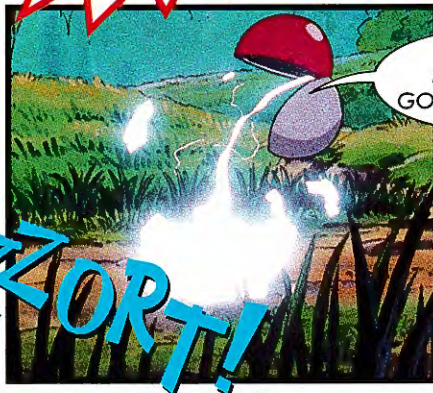
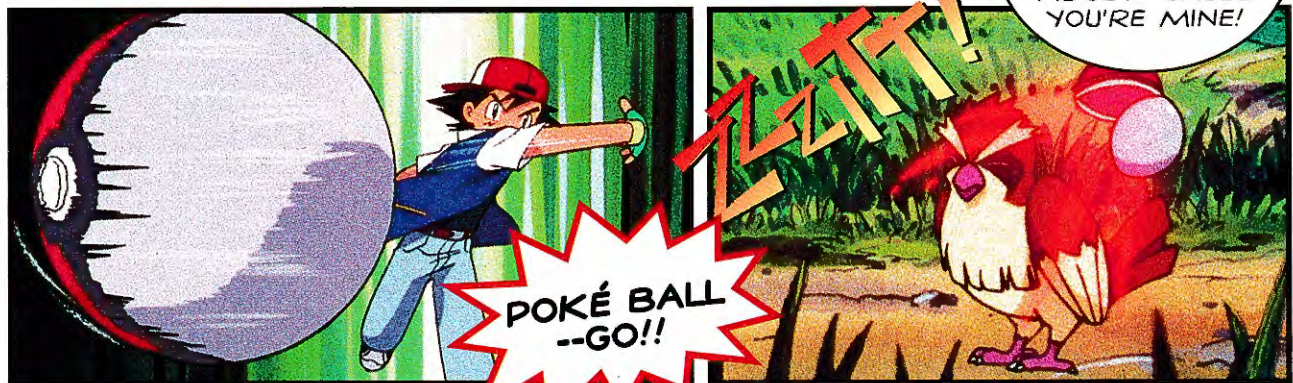
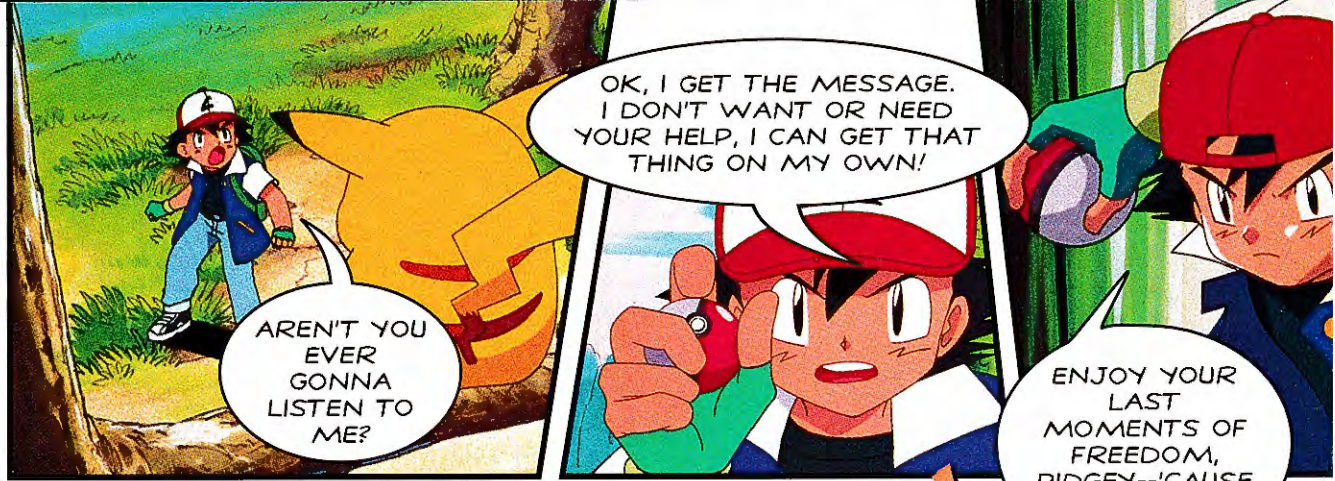
HUNH? A PIDGEY!

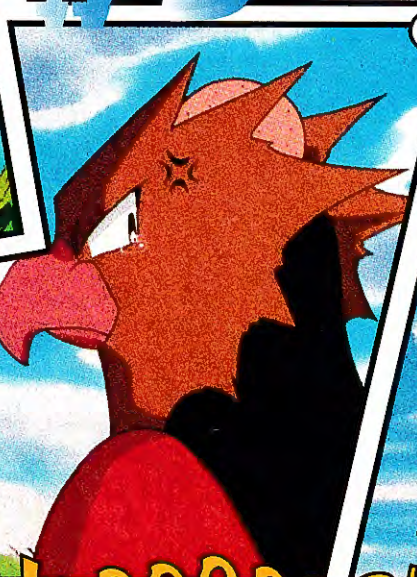
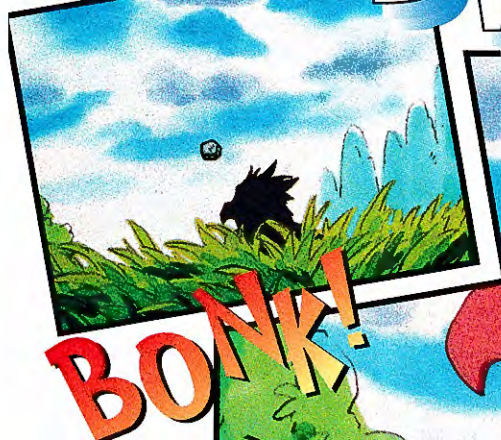
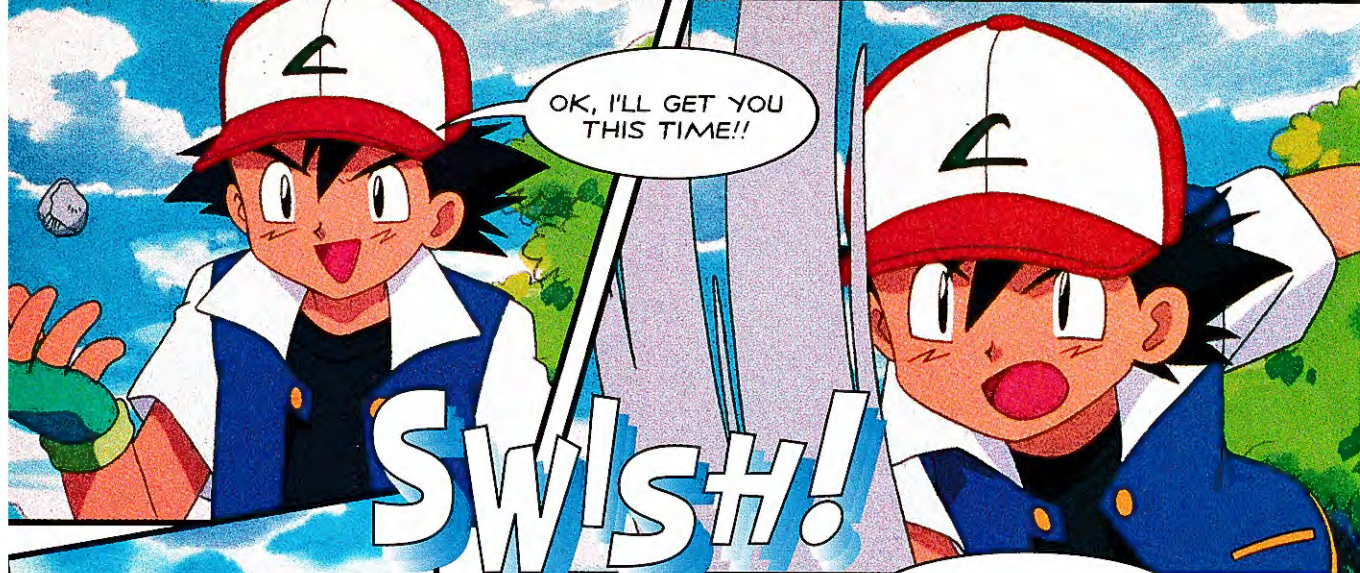
PIDGEY IS GENTLE AND EASY TO CAPTURE. A PERFECT TARGET FOR THE BEGINNING POKÉMON TRAINER TO TEST HIS POKÉMON'S SKILLS.

THIS IS GREAT! IT'S OUR LUCKY DAY! PIKACHU GO GET HIM!

HEY!

ZIP!



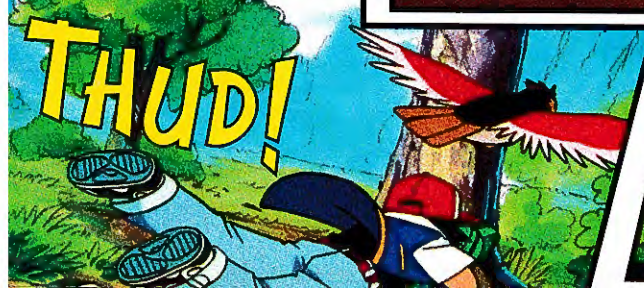
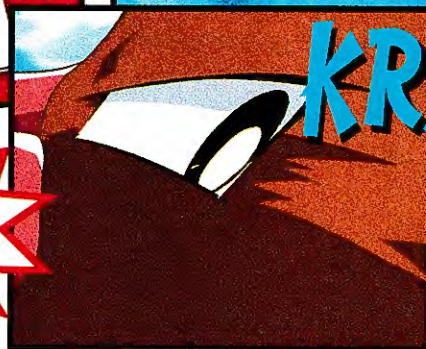
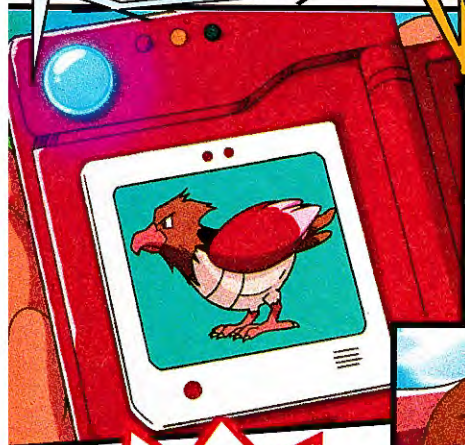


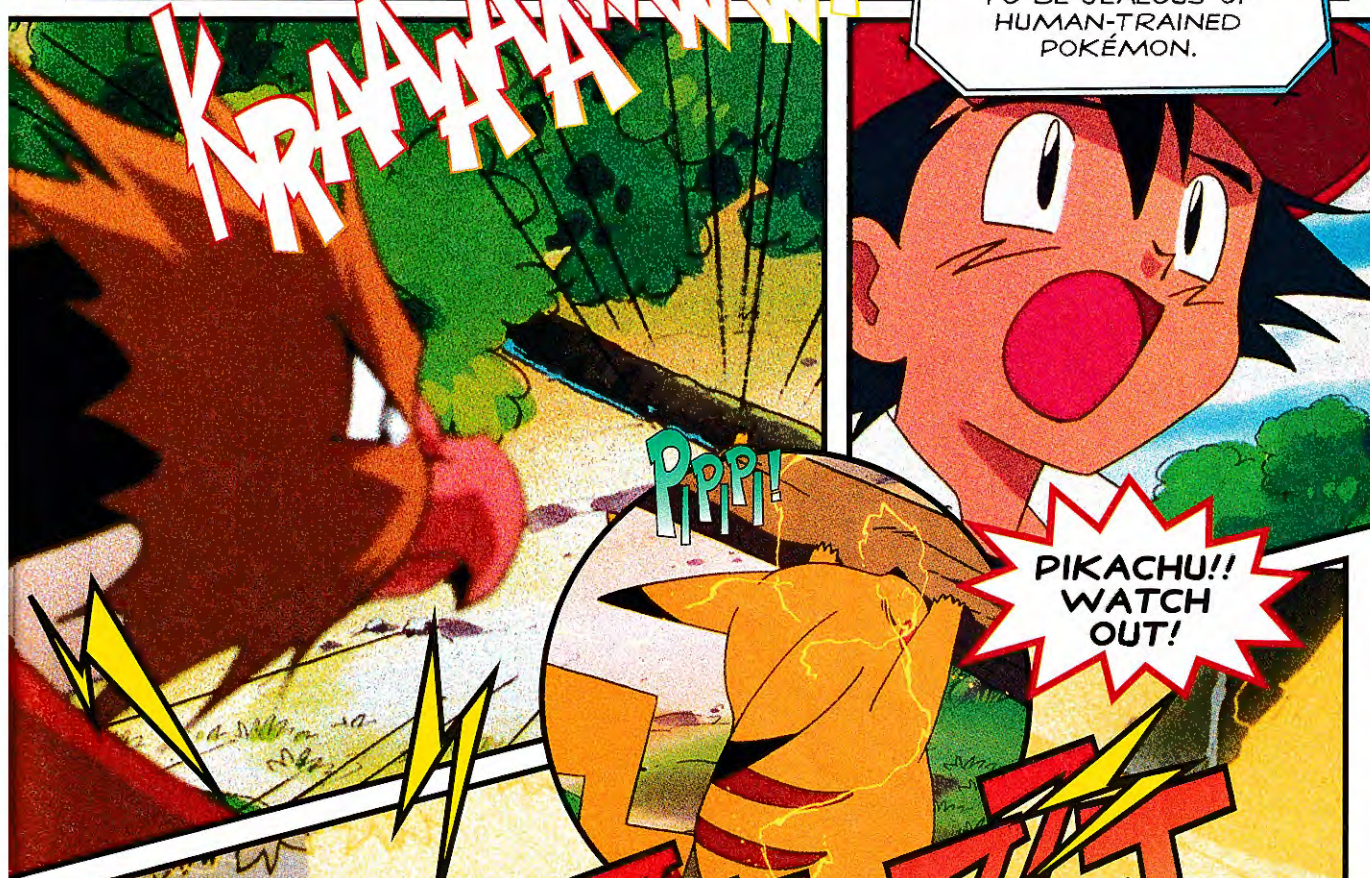
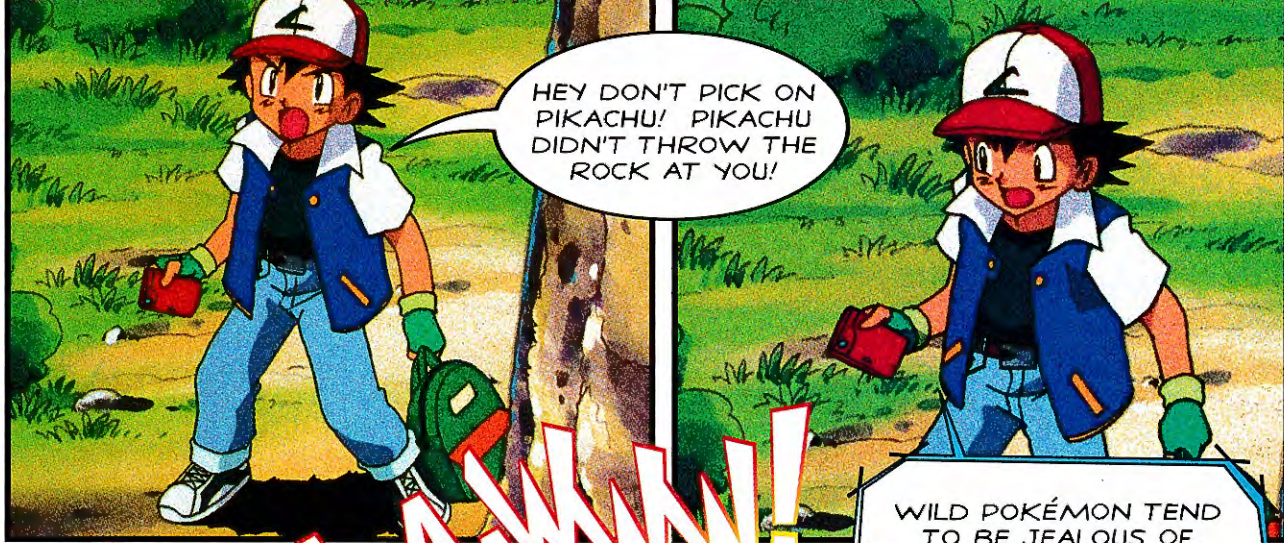
SPEAROW, UNLIKE PIDGEY, HAS A TERRIBLE ATTITUDE.

WOOOOOOSH!

THEY ARE VERY WILD AND WILL SOMETIMES ATTACK OTHER POKÉMON AND HUMANS.

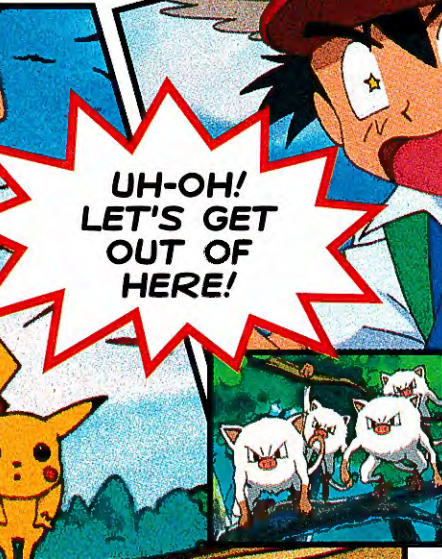
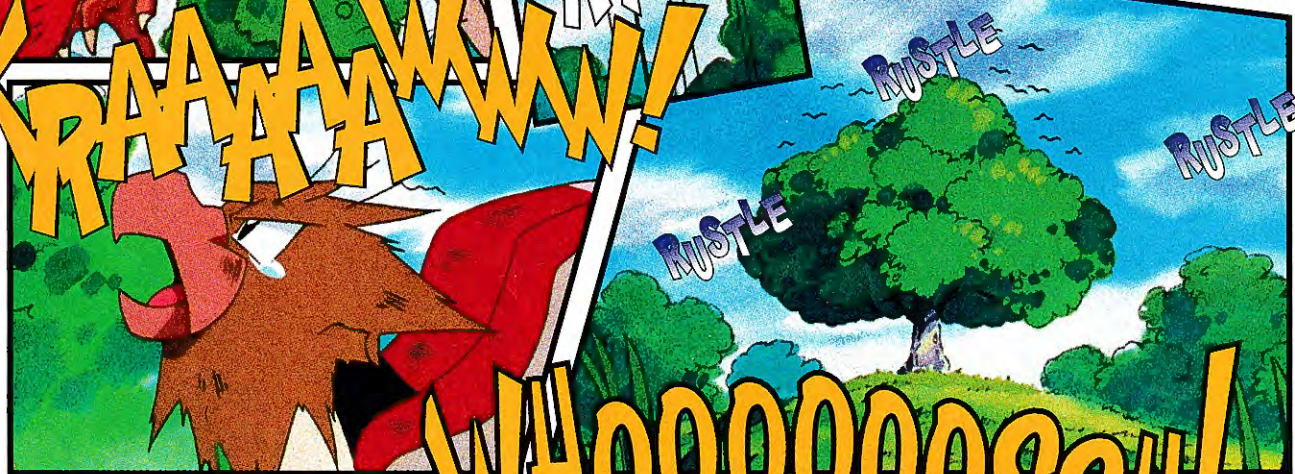
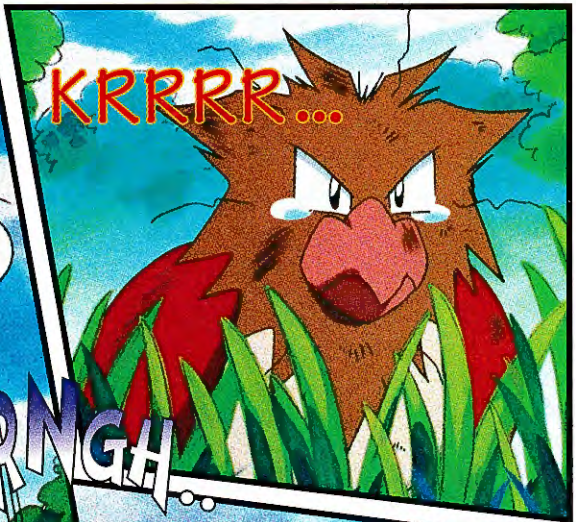
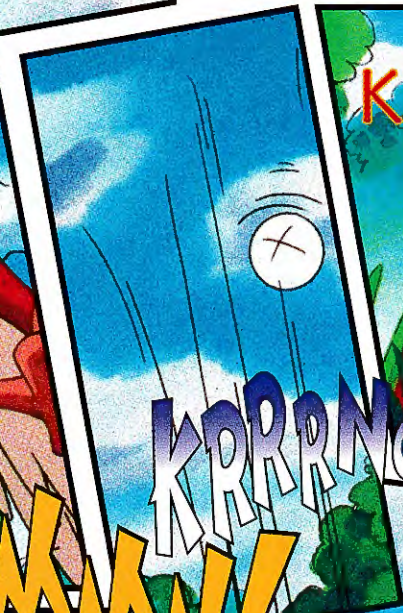
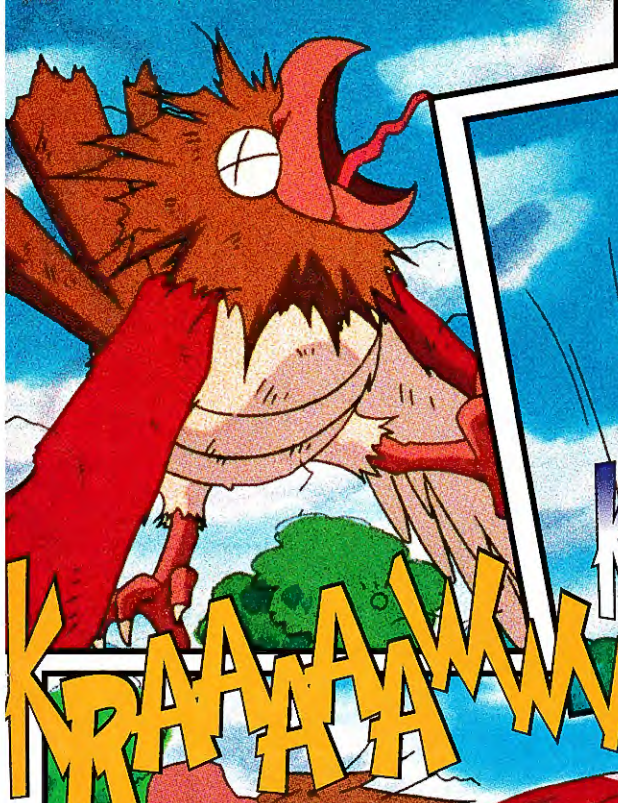
BAFBAF!





ZT-ZT-ZT





UH-OH!
LET'S GET
OUT OF
HERE!

KRAAW!
KRAAW!



LEAVE PIKACHU
ALONE, SPEAROWS!

THUDD!



DON'T
WORRY
PIKACHU, I'LL
SAVE YOU!

WELL,
PIKACHU...



LOOKS LIKE
THE END
OF THE
LINE!



HERE WE
GOOOOOOOOOO!

Wheoooo!!

Spl~~oo~~ash!

Bloop

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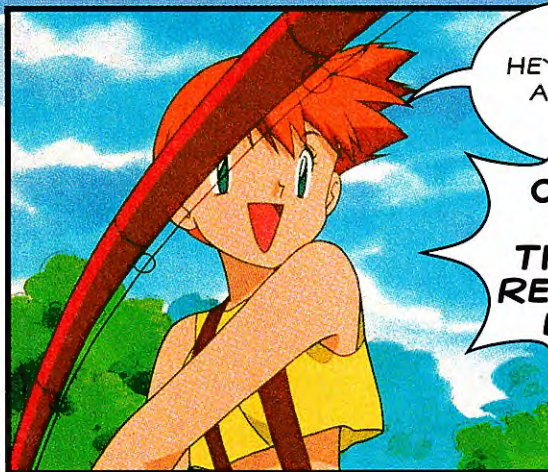
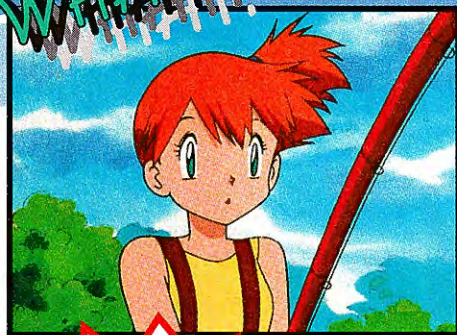
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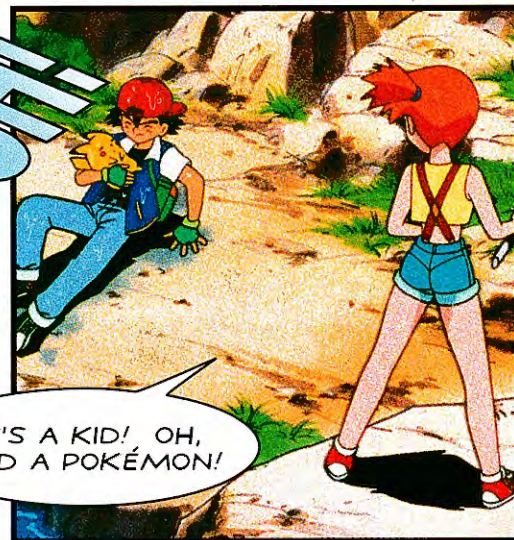
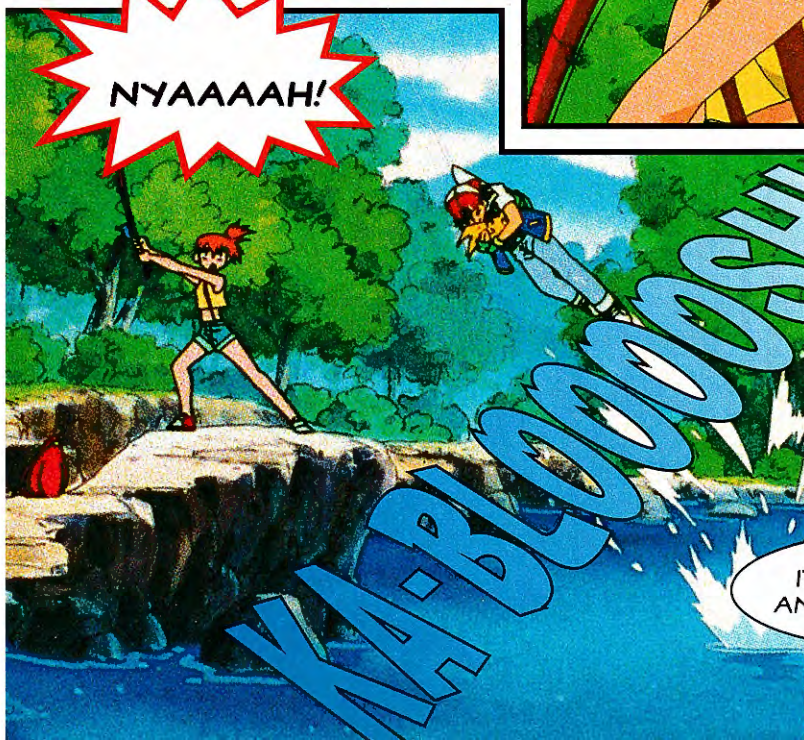
WHAAT!!



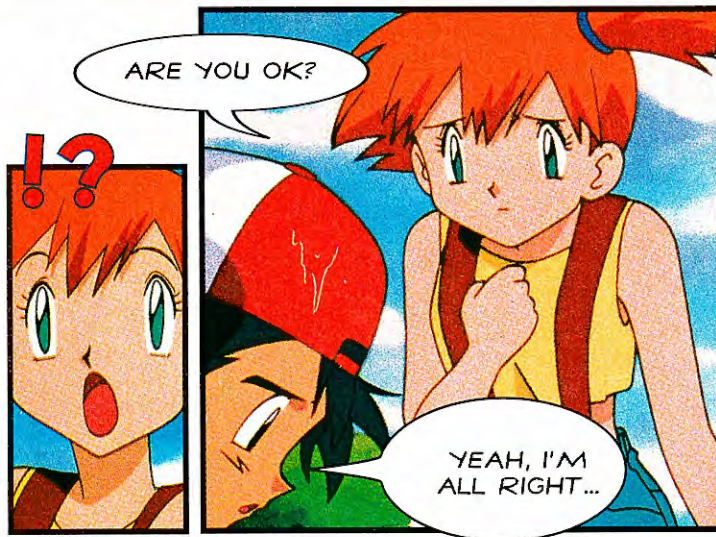
HEY, I GOT
A BITE!

OH WOW!
I THINK
THIS COULD
REALLY BE A
BIG ONE!

NYAAAAH!

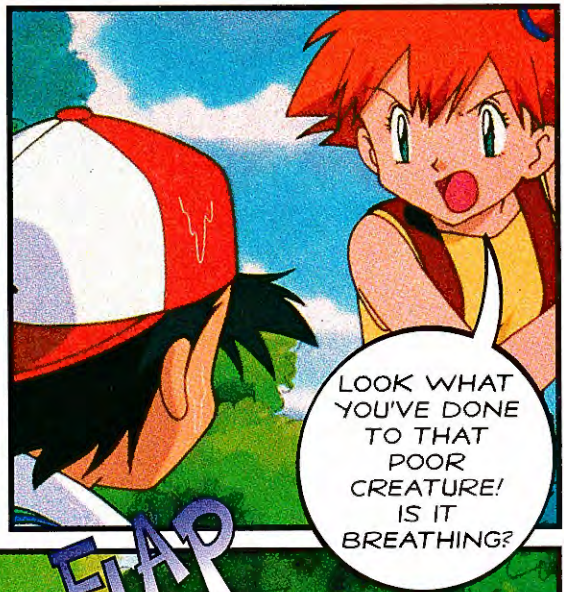


IT'S A KID! OH,
AND A POKÉMON!

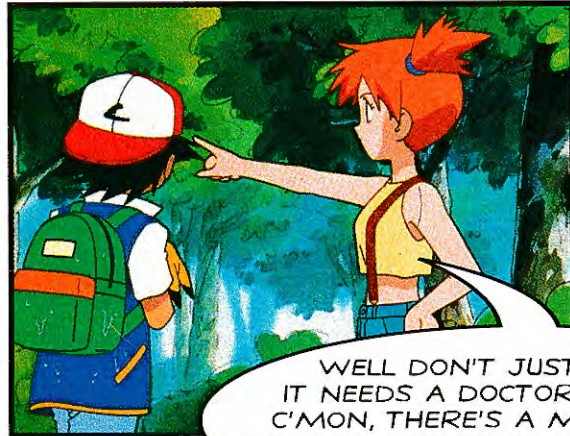


ARE YOU OK?

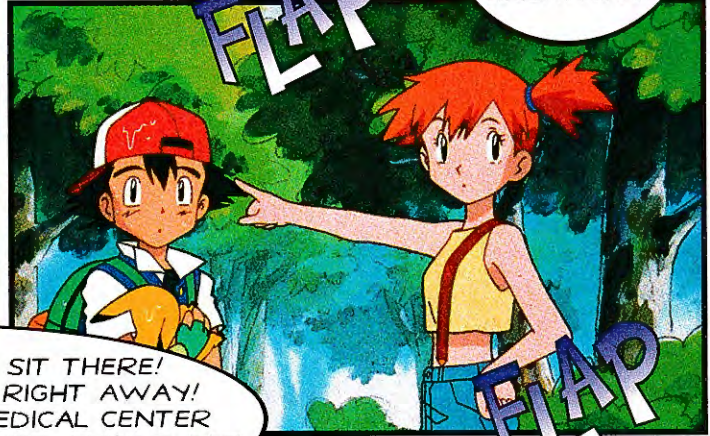
YEAH, I'M ALL RIGHT...



LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO THAT POOR CREATURE! IS IT BREATHING?

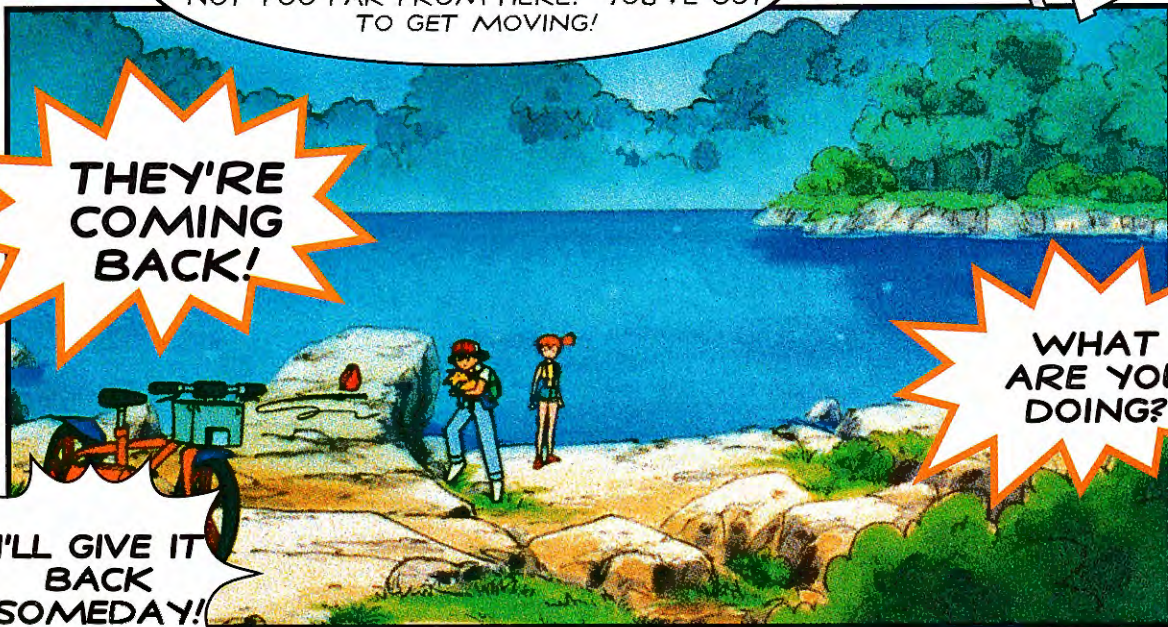


WELL DON'T JUST SIT THERE! IT NEEDS A DOCTOR RIGHT AWAY! C'MON, THERE'S A MEDICAL CENTER NOT TOO FAR FROM HERE. YOU'VE GOT TO GET MOVING!



FLAP

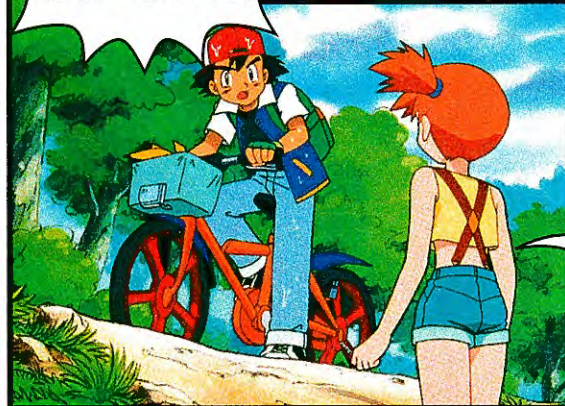
FLAP



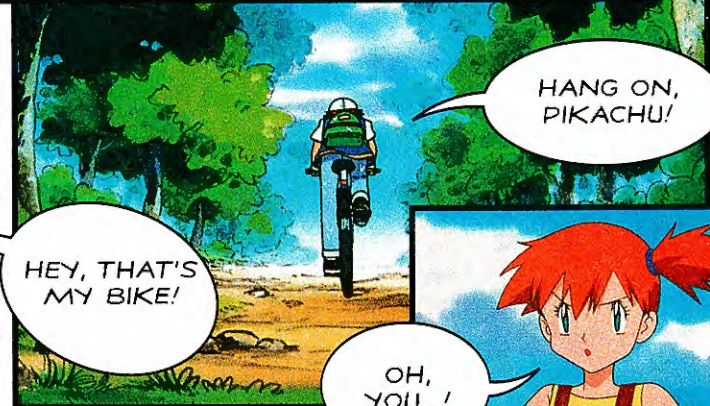
THEY'RE COMING BACK!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

I'LL GIVE IT BACK SOMEDAY!

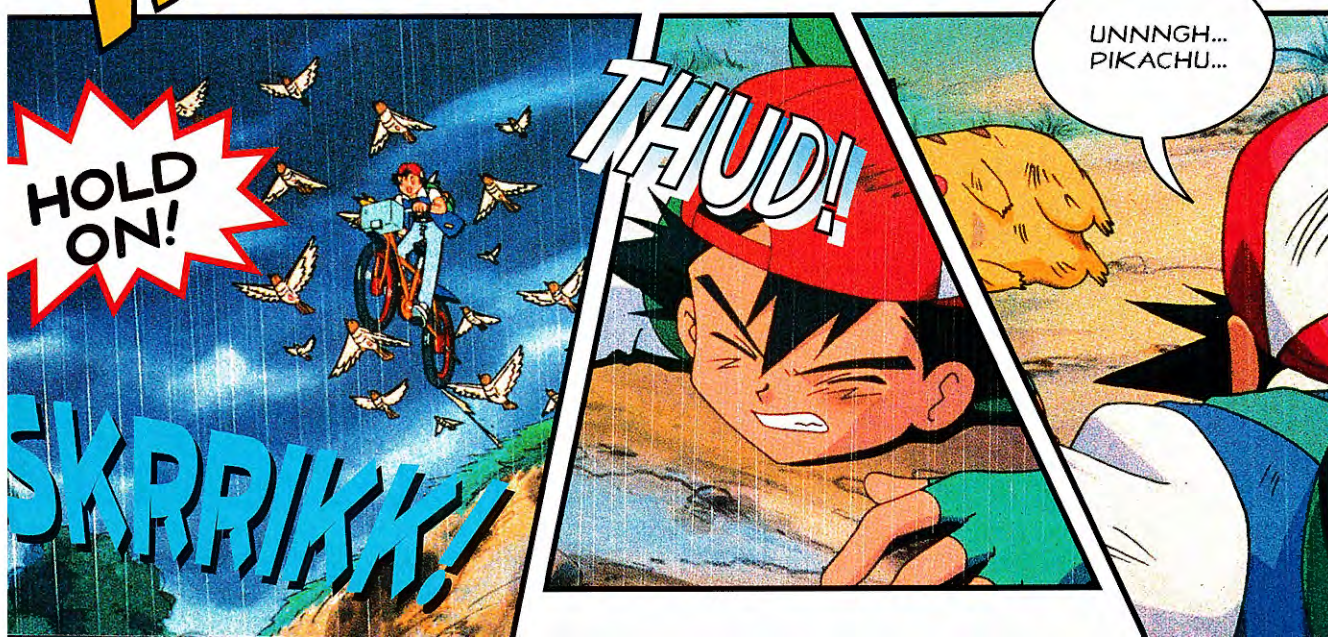
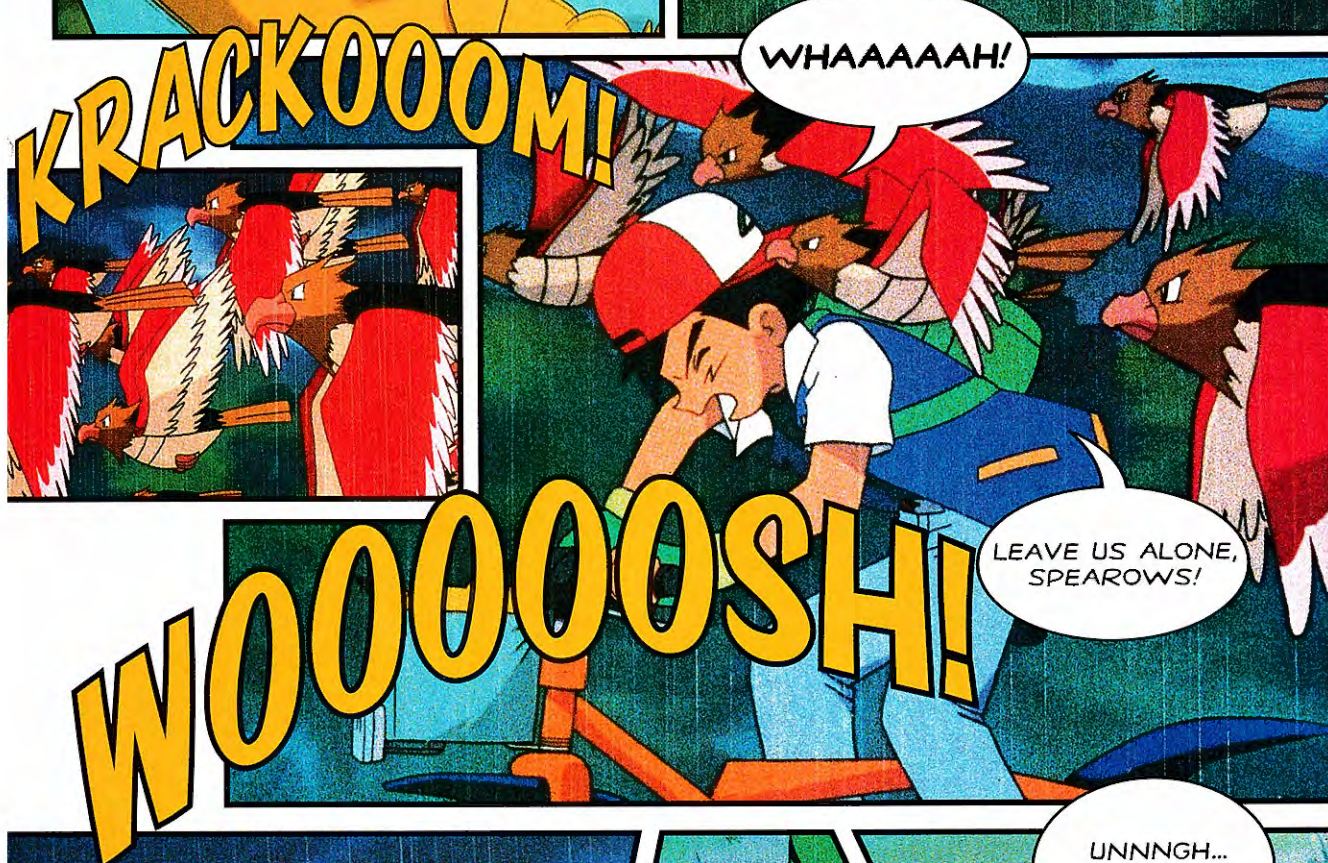
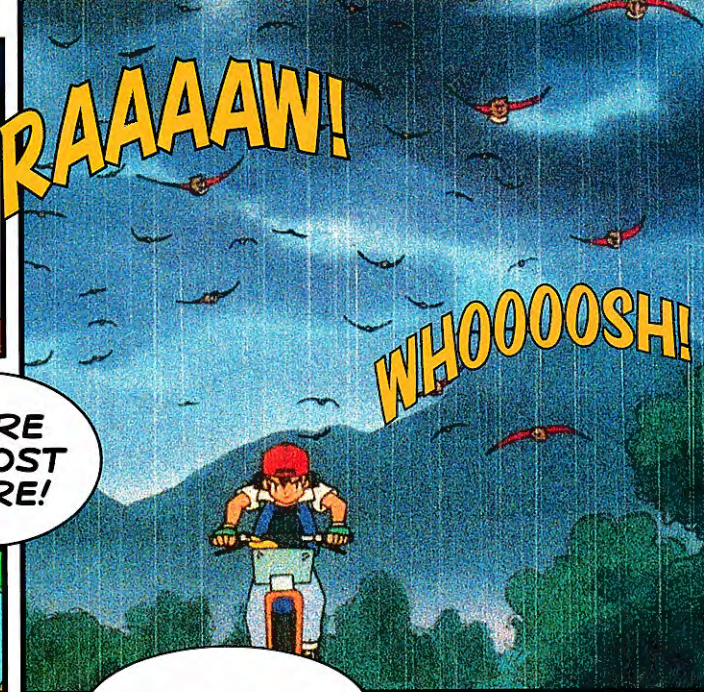
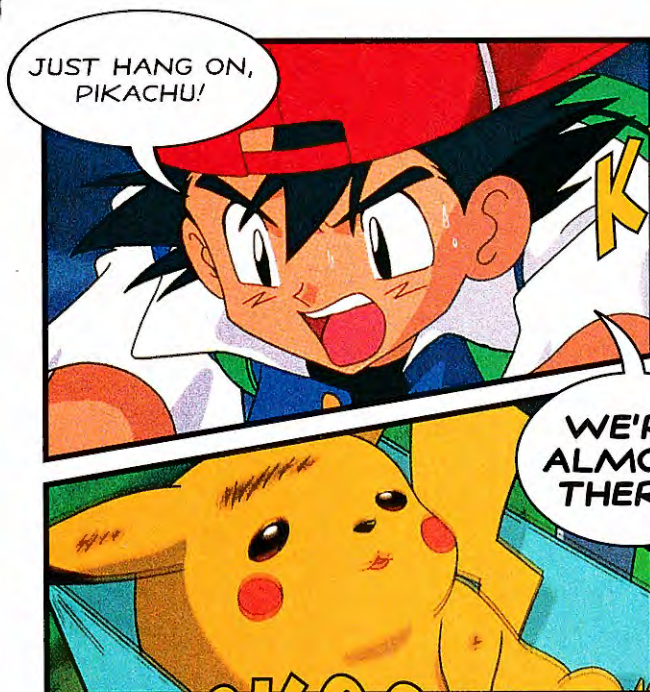


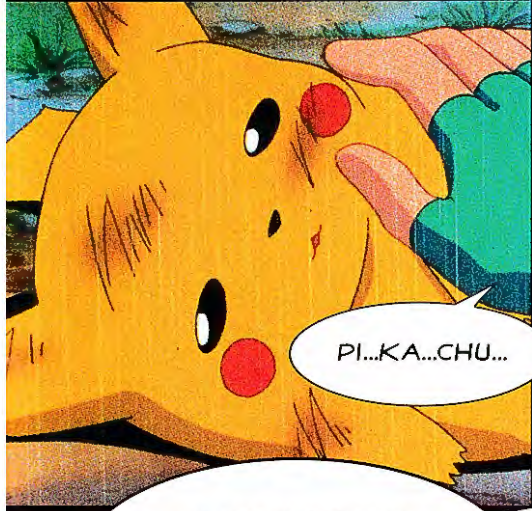
HEY, THAT'S MY BIKE!



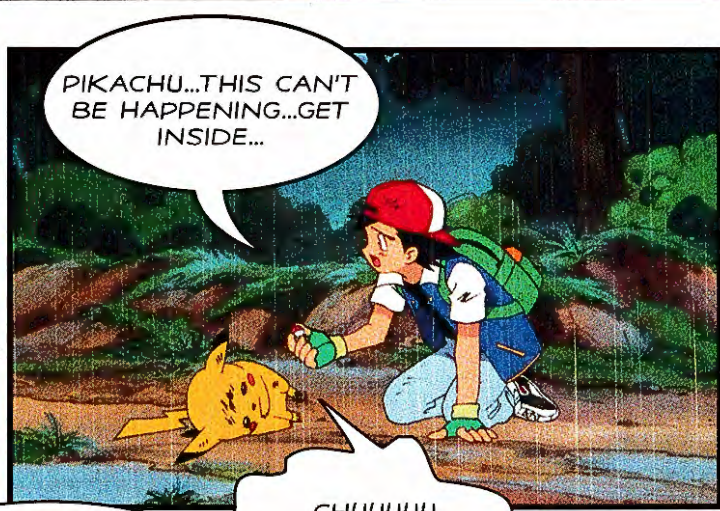
HANG ON, PIKACHU!

OH, YOU....!





PI...KA...CHU...



PIKACHU...THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING...GET INSIDE...

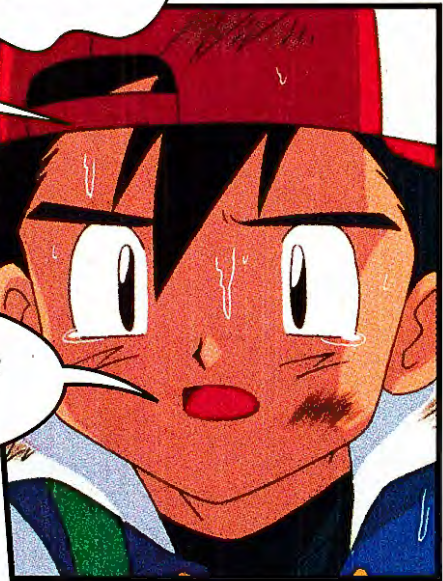
CHUUUUUU...



I KNOW YOU'RE AFRAID OF GOING IN THERE, BUT IF YOU'RE INSIDE MAYBE I CAN SAVE YOU.

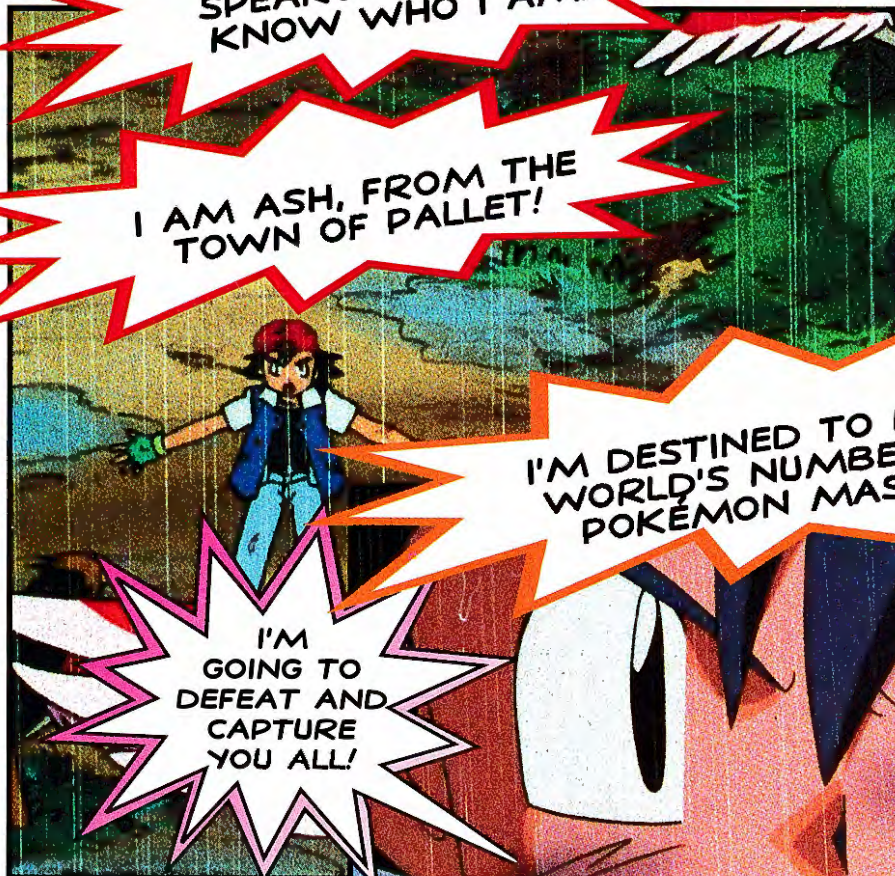
PLEASE PIKACHU...PLEASE LISTEN TO ME AND GO INSIDE.

AFTER THAT...AFTER THAT...JUST TRUST ME.



SPEAROWS, DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?!

I AM ASH, FROM THE TOWN OF PALETT!

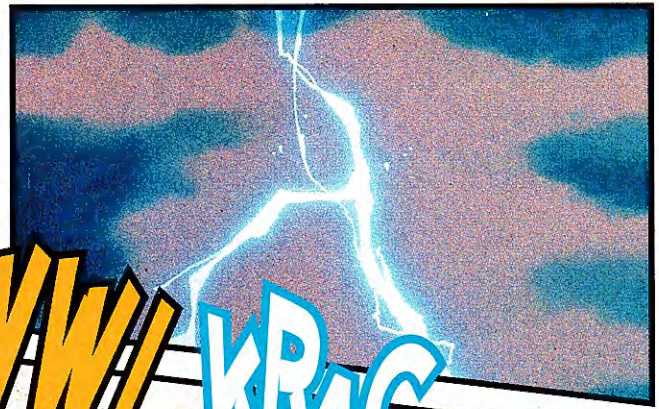


I'M DESTINED TO BE THE WORLD'S NUMBER ONE POKÉMON MASTER!

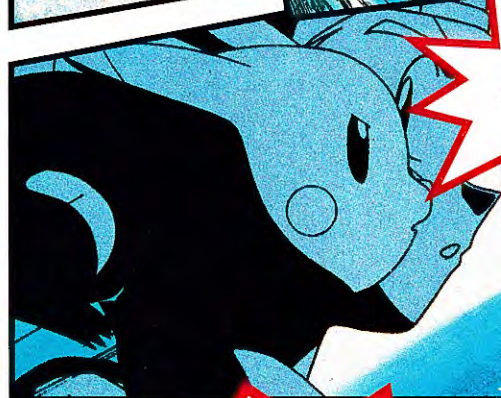
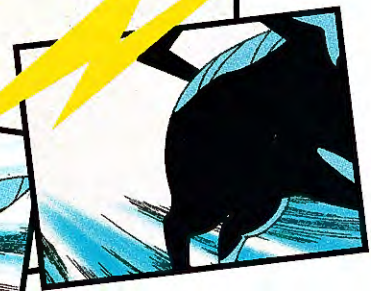
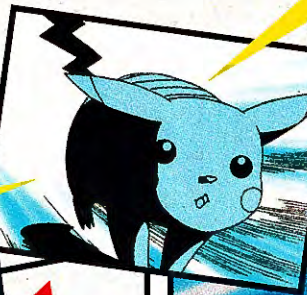
I'M GOING TO DEFEAT AND CAPTURE YOU ALL!



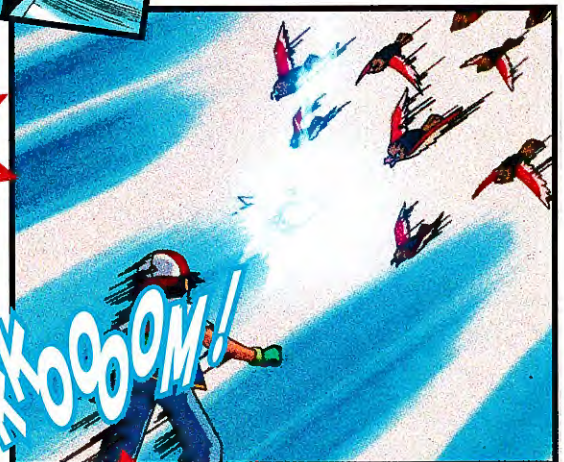
COME AND GET ME!!



TRAAAAWWW! KRAGGOON!



PIKACHU?!
WHOAH!!



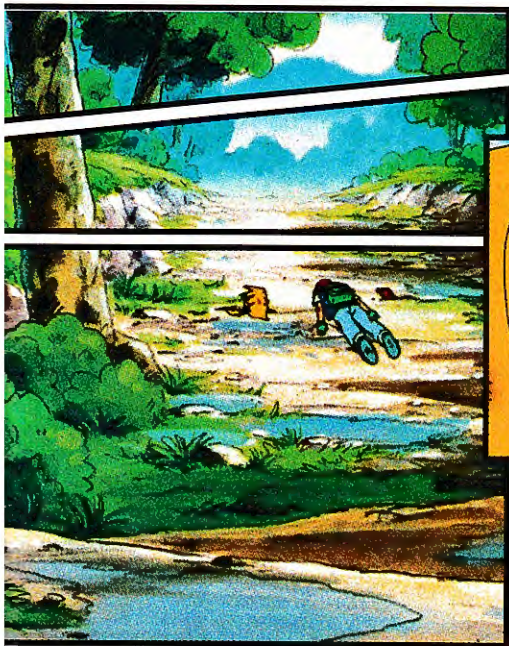
KRAGGOON!

**YEEEEAAA
AAH!!**

**PIKAAA-
CHUUUU!!**

KRAACKA-CHOOOO!

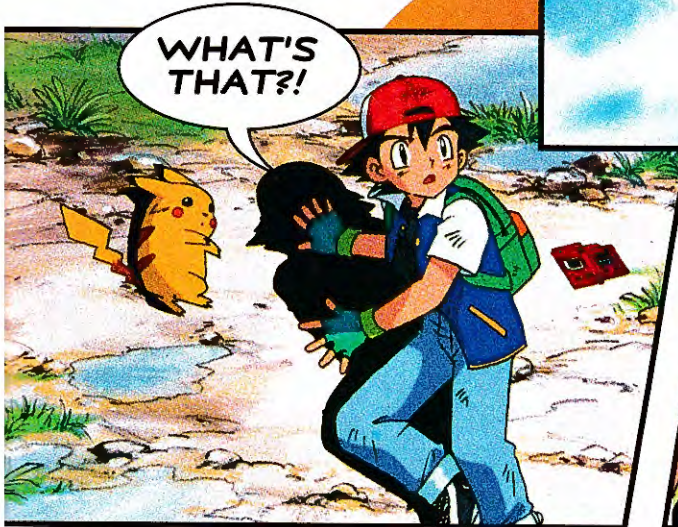




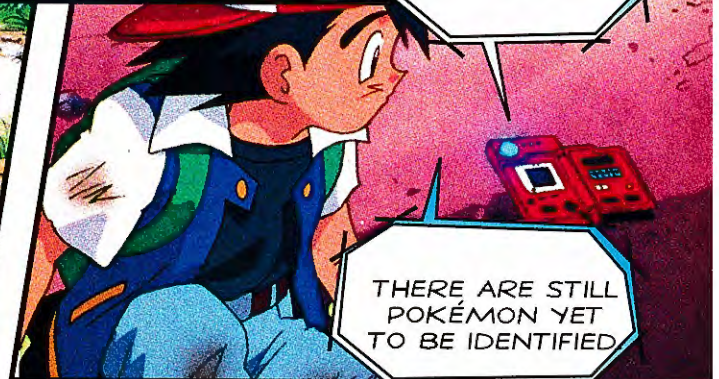
Pippi!



WELL...WE
BEAT EM...

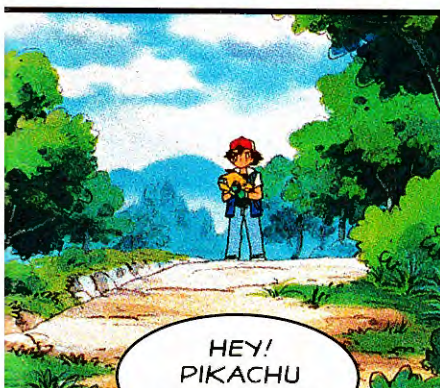


WHAT'S
THAT?!

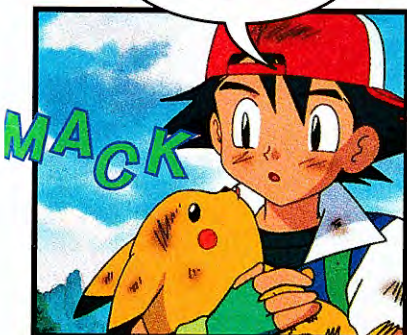


THERE IS NO
DATA.

THERE ARE STILL
POKÉMON YET
TO BE IDENTIFIED



HEY!
PIKACHU
LIKES ME?!



MAACK

THIS IS JUST THE
BEGINNING OF THE
AMAZING ADVENTURES
OF ASH AND PIKACHU.

AS THEIR STORY UNFOLDS,
THEY'LL UNLOCK THE MAGIC AND
MYSTERY OF A MOST WON-
DROUS PLACE--THE INCREDIBLE
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Austin, TX	KVC
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Baltimore, MD	WNUV
Baton Rouge, LA	KWBJ
Birmingham, AL	WABM
Boise, ID	KNIN
Boston, MA	WSBK
Buffalo, NY	WNYO
Burlington, VT	WWIN
Cedar Rapids, IA	KFXA
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Charleston, SC	WMMP
Charleston, WV	WVAH
Charlotte, NC	WFVT
Chattanooga, TN	WDSI
Chicago, IL	WPWR
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Cleveland, OH	WBNX
Columbus, MS	WBSI
Columbus, OH	WWHO
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